

MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH MEETING OF THE
JOINT SENATE-HOUSE REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP CALLED FOR
WEDNESDAY, APRIL SIXTH, 1966, AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE CAPITOL
OFFICE (S-230) OF THE SENATE MINORITY LEADER, THE
HONORABLE EVERETT MC KINLEY DIRKSEN

Present:

Chairman Bliss
Senators Dirksen, Saltonstall
Congressmen Ford, Arends, Rhodes, Wilson, Goodell

Absent:

Senators Kuchel, Hickenlooper, Morton
Congressmen Laird, Smith

Also Present:

John Fisher, Bryce Harlow, William Pendergast, Arthur Peterson,
Robert Hartman, Harry Brookshire, J. Mark Trice

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:15 P.M. and because the Members of the House were delayed due to voting on the Floor, the meeting proceeded with Senators Dirksen and Saltonstall.

The agenda of the meeting is as follows: (copy attached)

1. Survey Questions
2. Improved Press Conference Format
3. The "Home-Hearth-Hearings"
4. Coordinating Committee Task Force Reports

Prior to the arrival of the House Members, the proposed questions submitted by the Chairman were looked over and it was suggested that certain ones be eliminated. The idea was to obtain a depth analysis on answers to questions to be submitted on a nationwide survey later this year.

After the arrival of the House Members, certain additional questions prepared by Dr. Pendergast were submitted to the Membership. After discussion it was decided to have the questions redrawn and submitted to the Joint Leadership after the Easter recess.

In regard to the "Improvement Press Conference Format", it was decided it was a good suggestion to try and that it would be tried out at the next Press Conference.

Regarding #3, "The Home-and-Hearth-Hearings", it was recommended that a pilot test program should be first used.

In regard to the "Coordinating Committee Task Force Reports", it was decided that as long as dissemination is being had at this time it was thought best to wait until after the June meeting of the Coordinating Committee in order that the additional reports could be included.

It was decided that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday, April twentieth, at 2:00 P.M.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:02 P.M.

J. Ward Price.
Acting Secretary