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Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson George Teagarden at 10:10 a.m. on February 22, 1991 in room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representatives Pottorff, Chronister, Vancrum, Hensley, Adam, Mead, and Lowther (all excused).

Committee staff present: Ellen Piekalkiewicz, Legislative Research Department
Debra Duncan, Legislative Research Department
Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes
Susan Miller, Administrative Aide
Sue Krische, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Staff continued the briefing on Regents' Systemwide Issues from the previous meeting (see Attachment 4 to the minutes of February 21, 1991). Staff noted the Regents have requested a net enrollment adjustment in FY92 of \$4,704,172. It was noted the current graduate teaching assistants fee waiver is 75 percent and the Board is requesting 100 percent for FY92. Representative Patrick asked staff to research whether or not a study has ever been done asking graduate teaching assistants which would be more important to them, the fee waiver or a salary.

The Regents request for servicing new buildings includes \$240,007 and 6.3 new positions to Kansas State University for the Kansas Farm Bureau Building. Staff noted the building was donated to the KSU Foundation and the Foundation would like to donate part of the building to the state for use by KSU. The Board of Regents has accepted the gift contingent on the Legislature financing the servicing of the building. Representative Patrick asked staff to advise the amount of property taxes Kansas Farm Bureau paid on the building when they owned it.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Chairman Teagarden requested introduction of a bill that abolishes the Economic Development Initiatives Fund and changes the formula for gaming revenues to 20 percent for Corrections, 20 percent for a general facilities building fund, and 60 percent to the State General Fund. Representative Helgerson moved introduction of the bill. Representative Hochhauser seconded. Motion carried.

Representative Solbach moved introduction of a bill that would allow the state to collect into the State General Fund the savings received from a 3 percent reduction in fee agencies. Representative Hochhauser seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 25 at 1:30 p.m. in 514-S.