

Approved: 2-9-2000
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Barbara Lawrence at 9:00 a.m. on January 18, 2000 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Hensley; Senator Lee - Excused

Committee staff present: Avis Swartzman, Revisor of Statutes
Ben Barrett, Legislative Research Department
Jackie Breymeyer, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Susan Rippe, USD 259, Wichita; Teacher of the Year
Tammy R. Lalicker, USD 457, Garden City
Crystal Cross, USD 428, Great Bend
Nancy Bradley, USD 303, Manhattan
Julie Bervert, USD 345, Topeka
Gayle Newman, USD 229, Kansas City
Karen Wall, USD 232, DeSoto
Beverly McWilliams, USD 375, Towanda

Others attending: See Attached List

The joint meeting of the House and Senate Education Committees was called to order by Representative Tanner, House Education Committee Chairman. He stated there was a request for a bill introduction and the legislation was introduced. He turned the meeting over to Senator Lawrence, Senate Education Committee Chairperson, who conducted the meeting.

Chairperson Lawrence greeted the conferees and called on Dale Dennis, Deputy Education Commissioner, to make the introduction. He stated that the teacher of the year and finalists would speak and limit their remarks to a few minutes each. He distributed a handout entitled, "KANSAS Teacher of the Year." (Attachment 1)

Sue Rippe, Teacher of the Year, stated she was honored and excited to be present at today's meeting. The teachers present today are the ambassadors for over 32,000 plus teachers across the state and represent a total of over 200 years teaching experience. They represent vast differences in areas of expertise. She asked legislators to use them as a resource/liaison source. It is Ms. Rippe's firm belief that all students can learn.

Each finalist gave her area of expertise and related anecdotes to show the enthusiasm and success of the programs and processes involved in the commitment to education.

Chairperson Lawrence stated that it was very obvious why these teachers are at the legislature today, as they are exemplary teachers.

Questions were asked of the teachers concerning some of the problems they face such as the lack of teachers in specific areas of expertise. The teachers as a group stated that more recruiting needs to be done. Teachers are stretched too thin. There is need for teacher mentoring, training and staff development. There are also other problems with classroom size and dealing with students with learning disabilities. The small amount of time parents interact with their children was cited as a factor of concern. Parents need to know what needs to be done with the child at home to prepare that child for school. A study has shown that parents spend as little as ten minutes a day with a child. This trend is not unique to any socio-economic group.

The committees were challenged to visit any classroom, unannounced, on any day in a school. That is the way to see the 'nitty gritty' of what is happening in the schools.

Chairperson Lawrence thanked all the conferees for visiting the committees.
The meeting was adjourned.

KANSAS
*Teacher
of the Year*

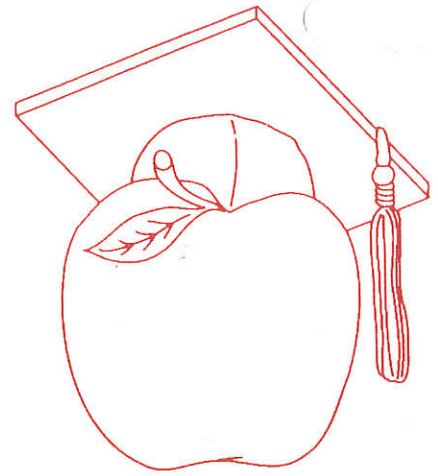


2000 Awards Banquet

The Marriott Hotel, Wichita, Kansas
November 13, 1999

Senate Education
1-18-2000
Attachment 1

Kansas Teachers of the Year



1960 Helen Case	1975 Mildred Bradley	
1962 Marjorie French	1976 James E. Brown	1988 Glenda S. Watkins
1963 Etta Dahlgren	1977 Nelda B. Ikenberry	1989 Judy Beedles-Miller
1964 Neysa Eberhard	1978 Martha McReynolds	1990 Barbara J. Firestone
1965 Bill D. Shipman	1979 Carolyn D. Jones	1991 Frances J. Irelan
1966 Evelyn Harper	1980 Loren Riblett	1992 Norman D. Conard
1968 Jean E. Jones	1981 Helen A. Wagner	1993 Carol J. Swinney
1969 James H. Hood	1982 Shirley Palmer	1994 Nancy J. Costigan-Talbott
1970 Deana McClure	1983 Patricia Williams-Boyd	1995 Becky Goodwin
1971 Hope Shackelford	1984 Betty Amos	1996 Christy R. McNally
1972 Selma M. Maronde	1985 Carol L. Reneau	1997 Nancy R. McRoberts
1973 Janet Service	1986 Alice M. Wolf	1998 Darla J. Mallein
1974 C. Don Everhart	1987 Christine E. Chalender	1999 Carol Strickland

Kansas Teacher of the Year 2000 Finalists

Region 1



Tammy R. Lalicker
Edith Scheuerman
Elementary School
Garden City USD 457



Crystal Kaye Cross
Great Bend High School
Great Bend USD 428



Nancy Jo Bradley
Amanda Arnold Elementary
School
Manhattan USD 383



Julie Jo Bervert
Seaman High School
Seaman USD 345

Region 3



Gayle J. Newman
Indian Valley Elementary
School
Blue Valley USD 229



Karen Diane Wall
DeSoto High School
DeSoto USD 232



Beverly McWilliams
Towanda Elementary School
Circle USD 375



Susan M. Rippe
Wichita Northwest High
School
Wichita USD 259

Region 4

Mission

The Kansas Teacher of the Year leads a team of exemplary teachers committed to **improving schools, student performance, and the teaching profession** in Kansas. The Kansas Teacher of the Year and finalists serve as ambassadors for Kansas education, making public appearances across the state. The Kansas Teacher of the Year represents the state in the National Teacher of the Year program sponsored by the Council of Chief State School Officers and Scholastic Inc.

One strength of the Kansas program is its team concept. The program involves the Kansas Teacher of the Year, state finalists, and district nominees. They join a network of exemplary educators who are education leaders in Kansas. Who can better speak about the educational successes and needs of students than those closest to them – classroom teachers!

Kansas Teacher of the Year 2000 District Nominees

Region 1

Dale Michael Voth
Cimarron High School
Cimarron-Ensigen USD 102

Melanie Kay Lott
Hugoton Elementary School
Hugoton Public Schools USD 210

Kimberly G. Nave
Lakin Grade School
Lakin USD 215

Robert Bruce Ferree
Village Elementary School
Emporia USD 253

Delores Schwinn
Emporia High School
Emporia USD 253

Brenda Dirks
Medicine Lodge Middle School
Barber County North USD 254

Lowell E. Dohrmann
Medicine Lodge High School
Barber County North USD 254

Patricia Ruthstrom
Downs Elementary School
Waconda USD 272

Tracy J. Konda
Waconda East High School
Waconda USD 272

Judy Helm
Oakdale Elementary School
Salina USD 305

Ray Fitzpatrick
Roosevelt Lincoln Middle School
Salina USD 305

Jeanette L. Disque
Stafford Jr.-Sr. High School
Stafford USD 349

Kathryne Lee Martin
Lincoln Elementary School
Clay Center USD 379

Delores A. Orth
Park Elementary School
Lyons USD 405

Christi L. Reid
Lyons Middle School
Lyons USD 405

Judi Stewart
Marion Elementary School
Marion USD 408

Jana L. Koehn
Eisenhower Elementary School
McPherson USD 418

Jan E. Case
Mullinville Elementary School
Mullinville USD 424

Steven L. Beaumont
Eisenhower Elementary School
Great Bend USD 428

Crystal Kaye Cross
Great Bend High School
Great Bend USD 428

Tammy R. Lalicker
Edith Scheuerman Elementary School
Garden City USD 457

Judy C. Shelman
Southlawn Elementary School
Liberal USD 480

Region 2

Deanna Lynn Rohling
Thayer Attendance Center
Erie-St. Paul USD 101

Marla Koester
Winfield Scott Elementary School
Fort Scott USD 234

Paula S. Hurt
Burlington High School
Burlington USD 244

Marilyn J. McCurdy
Eugene Field Elementary School
Ottawa USD 290

Jolene Alexander
Ottawa Middle School
Ottawa USD 290

Therese M. Kenkel
Oskaloosa Elementary School
Oskaloosa Public Schools USD 341

Lynnette Rhea Abbott
Oskaloosa High School
Oskaloosa Public Schools USD 341

Nancy Fusaro
West Indianola Elementary School
Seaman USD 345

Julie Jo Bervert
Seaman High School
Seaman USD 345

Jean M. Quaintance
Garnett Elementary School
Garnett USD 365

Anita Louise Dennis
Anderson County Jr.-Sr. High School
Garnett USD 365

Nancy Jo Bradley
Amanda Arnold Elementary School
Manhattan USD 383

Carolyn S. Schellhardt
Manhattan High School
Manhattan USD 383

Jean Armstrong
Hutton Elementary School &
Alcott Elementary School
Chanute Public Schools USD 413

John Martin
Royster Middle School
Chanute Public Schools USD 413

Martha-Jean Rockey
Troy High School
Troy Public Schools USD 429

Cynthia C. Bell
Scranton Attendance Center
Santa Fe Trail USD 434

Patricia A. Worden
Wanamaker Elementary School
Auburn Washburn USD 437

Catherine Ann Enneking
Nemaha Valley High School
Nemaha Valley Schools USD 442

Newton R. Schuler
Shawnee Heights Elementary School
Shawnee Heights USD 450

Mark E. Jarboe
Shawnee Heights Sr. High School
Shawnee Heights USD 450

Mark L. Mall
Tonganoxie High School
Tonganoxie USD 464

Linda L. Olson
Fort Riley Elementary School
Geary County Schools USD 475

Catherine Jean Hedge
Fort Riley Middle School
Geary County Schools USD 475

Kansas Teacher of the Year 2000 District Nominees

Region 2 (continued)

Susan Mary Burris
Meadows Elementary School
Topeka Public Schools USD 501

Lynn Barnes
Robinson Middle School
Topeka Public Schools USD 501

Barbara A. McCord
Edna Elementary School
Labette County USD 506

Joseph E. French
Baxter Springs Middle School
Baxter Springs USD 508

Region 3

Melissa Reynolds
Bishop Miege High School
Catholic Diocese of Kansas City

Pam Reeves
Turner Elementary School
Turner USD 202

Susan Kimberlee Helvey
Pierson Jr. High School
Turner USD 202

Gayle J. Newman
Indian Valley Elementary School
Blue Valley USD 229

Jan Hatridge
Harmony Middle School
Blue Valley USD 229

Michelle L. Toon
Spring Hill Elementary School
Spring Hill USD 230

Elaine S. Booth
Spring Hill High School
Spring Hill USD 230

Beverly Steele Furlong
Sunflower Elementary School
Gardner-Edgerton-Antioch USD 231

Beth Suzanne Miller
Gardner Edgerton High School
Gardner-Edgerton-Antioch USD 231

Stephen Crutchfield
Starside Elementary School
DeSoto USD 232

Karen Diane Wall
DeSoto High School
DeSoto USD 232

Robin G. Simmons
Fairview Elementary School
Olathe USD 233

Mary C. Buehrer
Olathe South High School
Olathe USD 233

Melissa A. Maimer
Trojan Elementary School
Osawatomie USD 367

Brian H. Masoner
Osawatomie High School
Osawatomie USD 367

Linda G. Irvin
Sunflower Elementary School
Paola USD 368

Janet Ward
Paola High School
Paola USD 368

Rebecca Ann Bowes
Louisburg Elementary School
Louisburg USD 416

James A. Morgan
Louisburg High School
Louisburg USD 416

Jeffrey Paul McAdoo
Quail Run Elementary School
Lawrence USD 497

Michel Loomis
Central Jr. High School
Lawrence USD 497

Teresa Hawkins
South Park Elementary School
Shawnee Mission Public Schools
USD 512

Region 4

Joseph D. Ruocco
Clark Elementary School
Wichita USD 259

Susan M. Rippe
Wichita Northwest High School
Wichita USD 259

Cynthia Diane Wynn
Oaklawn Elementary School
Derby USD 260

Luan Liberman West
Derby Middle School
Derby USD 260

Carol J. Elmore
Sedan Elementary School
Chautauqua Co. Community USD 286

Elizabeth Antoinette Miller
Cunningham Elementary School
Cunningham USD 332

Rachelle Rae Graves
Oxford Elementary School
Oxford USD 358

Terri L. Browning
Oxford High School
Oxford USD 358

Beverly McWilliams
Towanda Elementary School
Circle USD 375

Linda K. Pyle
Circle High School
Circle USD 375

Roberta Thomas
Andover Intermediate School
Andover USD 385

Crystal Ann Barber
Andover Middle School
Andover USD 385

Holly S. Martino
Cherryvale High School
Cherryvale USD 447

Roletha Sue Barg
Irving Elementary School
Winfield USD 465

Richard Bradley Wall
Winfield High School
Winfield USD 465

Jill Buettgenbach
El Dorado High School
El Dorado USD 490

Kansas Foundation for Excellence in Education

The Board of Directors for the Kansas Foundation for Excellence in Education, under the leadership of former United States Senator Nancy Kassebaum-Baker, engaged in a fund-raising campaign to establish a permanent endowment for the Kansas Teacher of the Year program. The earnings will fund a one-semester ambassadorship for the Kansas Teacher of the Year. **The Kansas Teacher of the Year 2000 is the first recipient of this annual award.** The ambassadorship is named in honor of the lead contributor—

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The Kansas Teacher of the Year, finalists, and district nominees receive awards provided by businesses and organizations.

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Kansas Foundation for Excellence in Education
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The Hubbard Foundation Kansas Teacher of the Year Ambassadorship

Kansas Teacher of the Year Lifelong Learning Scholarship
This enables all Kansas Teachers of the Year—past, present, and future—to attend any Regents' university tuition-free as long as they continue teaching in Kansas.

The Security Benefit Group of Companies,
Topeka

\$4,000 cash award presented at the state awards banquet

Apple Computer, Inc.

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Southwestern Bell Foundation

\$250 classroom grant

IBM Corporation

\$100 classroom and professional development grant

Superior School Supplies, Inc., Wichita

\$100 gift certificate

Kansas State Teachers of the
Year Association

One-year memberships in both the national and state teachers of the year organizations and a pin

Harcourt School Publishers

Kansas Teacher of the Year 2000 notebook

Kansas Teacher of the Year Finalists

The Security Benefit Group of Companies,
Topeka

\$2,000 cash award presented at the regional awards banquets

Nancy Kassebaum-Baker

\$1,000 cash award presented at the regional awards banquets

Southwestern Bell Foundation

\$250 classroom grant

IBM Corporation

\$100 classroom and professional development grant

Superior School Supplies, Inc., Wichita

\$100 gift certificate

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