

Approved: May 15, 2002
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Susan Wagle at 11:30 a.m. on May 2, 2002 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Mr. Norm Furse, Revisor of Statutes
Ms. Emalene Correll, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ms. Lisa Montgomery, Revisor of Statutes
Ms. Margaret Cianciarulo, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee: Ms. Betty T. Keim, R. N., Retired
Mr. William Zollars, Chairman, President and
Chief Executive Officer of Yellow Corporation

Others attending: See attached guest list.

Hearing on consideration of appointments:

Upon calling the meeting, Chairperson Susan Wagle announced this would be a hearing to consider appointments. She called upon Mr. Bill Sneed, representing the University of Kansas Hospital Authority who introduced the first conferee.

Mr. William Zollars, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Yellow Corporation provided remarks as to his background and his qualifications then stood for questions by the Committee. The lone questions came from Senator Salmans who asked Mr. Zollars what he foresees of KU Med as it begins to expand its concepts. Mr. Zollars replied that as a new member, he would need to see what the strategies are before he could offer comment.

Mr. Sneed then introduced the second conferee, Ms. Betty Keim, R.N., retired who also provided remarks as to her background and her qualifications she brings to the Board. She also then stood for questions by the Committee.

Comments came from Senator Barnett who stated he appreciated Ms. Keim's willingness to serve and hopes that the Board can position KU Med as the Mayo of the Midwest.

As there were no questions of Ms. Keim, the Chair asked the Committee if there were any questions concerning the reappointments of Mr. Edward Chapman, Mr. Clay Edmands, Mr. George Farha, Mr. Robert House, Mr. Edward Nazar, and Mr. Mark Parkinson.

A question and answer discussion ensued with Senators Haley and Harrington and Ms. Mary Kruger, from the Governor's office, regarding Mr. Parkinson who had previously held a Board position. The discussion involved such issues as the Governor making the determination of terms, how long did Mr. Parkinson serve before his hiatus, and thanking him for his willingness to make the sacrifice of 4 years.

As there was no further discussion, Chairperson Wagle closed the confirmation hearing.

Senator Jordan moved to confirm Mr. Edward Chapman, Mr. Clay Edmands, Mr. George Farha, Mr. Robert House, Mr. Edward Nazar, Mr. Mark Parkinson, Ms. Betty Kei, and Mr. William Zollars as Members, University of Kansas Hospital Authority. Senator Brungardt seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Adjournment

Adjournment time was at 11:55 a.m.

The next meeting is on call of the Chairperson.

