

Approved: March 24, 2006

Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Deena Horst at 9:45 A.M. on March 9, 2006 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Kathe Decker- excused  
Pat Colloton- excused  
Marti Crow- excused  
Willa DeCastro- excused  
Geraldine Flaharty- excused  
Eber Phelps- excused  
Dale Swenson- excused  
Valdenia Winn- excused

Committee staff present:

Art Griggs, Revisor of Statutes Office

Members of Wichita Public School's Superintendent's Student Advisory Council (SAC) appeared before members of the Committee in a round table discussion. (Attachment 1).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m. There are no meetings scheduled at this time.



# ***SuperSAC***

**Superintendent's Student Advisory Council**

## What Is SuperSAC?

Students, those most impacted by the many policy recommendations made each year by a school district's administration, are often times the group least involved in developing such policies. As part of the Wichita Public Schools' commitment to community engagement, Wichita Superintendent Winston Brooks created *SuperSAC (Superintendent's Student Advisory Council)*. Now in its third year, SuperSAC was created to engage students in discussion about critical district issues and concerns that most directly impact them:

Modeled after a similar program in Portland (Oregon) Public Schools, SuperSAC consists of representatives from every high school (11) in the Wichita Public Schools. The group meets monthly throughout the year with Superintendent Winston Brooks to discuss issues that are of importance to students in our district. Topics have included food and vending in schools, budget and school finance, suspension and expulsion policies, school safety, high school reform, weighted grades, and district finals policies. Discussions also provide a venue for student feedback to the Wichita Board of Education (BOE). Highlights of these discussions are shared each month with BOE members in a report delivered to the Board directly by SuperSAC members.

Members in the 2005-06 school year, and their schools, are:

- East: Kayla Horsky and Forrestt Woods
- Heights: Valerie Shely and Kevin Tran
- Metro Boulevard: Skylar Charters
- Metro Meridian: Veronica Nutt
- Metro Midtown: Octavia Watkins
- North: Nancy Cobos and Calisa Dukes
- Northeast: McKenzie Staples
- Northwest: Lauren Benton and Grant Brazill
- South: Krissy Birkes and Donnie Chauncey
- Southeast: Allie Wallace and Ly Pham
- West: Megan Gayer and Marco Jones

House Education Committee  
Date: 3-8-06  
Attachment # 1