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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clay Aurand at 9:00 A.M. on January 10, 2007 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Ed Trimmer- excused

Committee staff present:

Sharon Wenger, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Michele Alishahi, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ashley Holm, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Theresa Kiernan, Revisor of Statutes
Janet Henning, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Rochelle Chronister, Chairperson 2010 Commission
Representative Terrie Huntington

The Chair introduced Rochelle Chronister, Chairperson of the 2010 Commission, who gave an overview of the 2006 Report. (Attachment #1).

Questions and answers followed.

Representative Otto requested the introduction of a bill to change the current school finance transportation funding to provide reimbursement to school districts for students transported more than one mile, rather than the current 2.5 miles' formula. The motion was seconded by Representative Crow and passed on a voice vote.

Representative Huntington was recognized by the Chair and asked for the introduction of a bill to allow USDs to levy an additional amount not to exceed 2% of its general fund budget to fund all day kindergarten. The motion was seconded by Representative Storm and passed on a voice vote.

Representative Huntington was again recognized by the Chair and asked for a bill for each \$100 increase in base state aid per pupil (BSAPP), a USD could adjust the high and low enrollment weight by 58 students.

Representative Sue Storm moved the motion and was seconded by Representative Colloton. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 A.M. The next meeting of the Education Committee will be on Tuesday, January 16, 2007.