

MINUTES

House Select Investigative Committee

March 30, 2010
Room 159-S, State Capitol

Members Present

Representative Clark Shultz, Chair
Representative Carl Holmes, Vice-Chair
Representative Nile Dillmore, Ranking Minority
Representative Bob Grant
Representative Jeff King
Representative Jerry Henry

Members Absent

None

Staff

Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Norm Furse, Revisor of Statutes Emeritus
Jason Long, Revisor of Statutes' Office
Gary Deeter, Committee Secretary

Conferees

None

Others Attending

See attached sheet

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes for March 15, March 17, March 18, March 23, and March 29. (Motion by Representative Dillmore and seconded by Representative Holmes)

Representative Holmes made the following motion: Pursuant to Rule 4902 of the House of Representatives and K.S.A. 46-1002, I move that the open meeting of the Select Investigating Committee be recessed for a closed, executive meeting of members of the committee with Norm Furse of the Revisor of Statutes' Office and Gary Deeter, committee secretary, in attendance. The meeting shall be held in the small

conference room (Room 172-W) for the purpose of discussing matters under consideration of the Select Investigating Committee in accordance with House Rule 4902, that the Select Investigating Committee resume the open meeting of the committee in Room 159-S of the Statehouse at 2:15 p.m. and that this motion, if adopted, be recorded in the minutes of the Select Investigating Committee and be maintained as part of the permanent records of the Select Investigating Committee. Seconded by Representative Dillmore, the motion passed unanimously. (Adopted at Topeka, Kansas, on March 30, 2010)

The Committee returned at 2:15 and the following motion was made by Representative Dillmore, seconded by Representative Holmes, and passed unanimously:

Pursuant to Rule 4902 of the House of Representatives and **K.S.A. 46-1002**, I move that the open meeting of the Select Investigating Committee be recessed for a closed, executive meeting of members of the committee with Norm Furse of the Revisor of Statutes' Office and Gary Deeter, committee secretary, in attendance. The meeting shall be held in the small conference room (Room 172-W) for the purpose of discussing matters under consideration of the Select Investigating Committee in accordance with House Rule 4902, that the Select Investigating Committee resume the open meeting of the committee in Room 159-S of the Statehouse at 3:15 p.m. and that this motion, if adopted, be recorded in the minutes of the Select Investigating Committee and be maintained as part of the permanent records of the Select Investigating Committee. (Adopted at Topeka, Kansas, on March 30, 2010)

The Committee returned at 3:15 p.m. The Chair announced that a report was being prepared and recessed the meeting until 3:35 p.m.

When the Committee reconvened at 3:35 p.m., Representative King read the Committee's findings regarding the Complaint (Attachment 1). The report stated that the Committee found no basis for misconduct, and, based upon that finding, would not recommend reprimand, censure, or expulsion. However, the report acknowledged that the Speaker's actions created an appearance of impropriety and recommended that the Kansas Legislature address certain provisions of **K.S.A. 46-233(c)** during the 2010 legislative session, and further recommended that the Kansas House of Representatives develop a code of ethics to govern the behavior of legislators in order to protect the integrity of the legislature. The report concluded by dismissing the Complaint filed on March 12, 2010, against the Speaker of the Kansas House of Representatives.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to adopt the report. (Motion, Representative King; second, Representative Grant)

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m. No further meeting was scheduled.

Prepared by Gary Deeter

Approved by the Committee on:

April 5, 2010