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## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION BUDGET COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lana Gordon at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, February 13, 2012 in 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:

Shirley Morrow KLRD  
Eunice Peters, Reviser  
Audrey Dunkel, KLRD  
Edw. Balda, Committee assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Staff overview-Shirley Morrow  
State Historical Society Budget Presentation-Jennie Chinn, Executive Director  
Kansas Humanities Council-Julie Mulvihill, Executive Dir. Of the Kansas Humanities Council.

Others in attendance: see attached list

### **HB 2435-Providing career technical workforce grant for certain technical education programs**

Chairman Gordon greeted the members and attendees and opened the meeting. Shirley Morrow presented the Committee with documentation regarding the budgets for the State Historical Society ([Attachment 1](#)). Various items from pages 6, 7-9 and page 13 were addressed. The topic of capital improvements to historic sites was discussed. Representative Spalding asked questions about budget discrepancies. There were no additional questions.

The Chairman then welcomed Jennie Chinn of the Humanities Council. J. Chinn requested the Committee to review her handout, ([Attachment 2](#)) beginning on page 1. Attention was made to the Governor's priorities. Mention was also made that in Kansas there have been more jobs available in the restoration and remodeling sector than in new construction. Questions were asked by Representatives Cassidy, Spalding and Feuerborn.

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Julie Mulvihill of the Humanities Council was welcomed and proceeded to explain her handout (Attachment 3). The Council's age of forty years, its various museum events, contributions to the film industry, music festivals as well as the Sunflower Journeys were reviewed. Their three sources of funding; federal, state, and private were addressed. In 2012 the Humanities Council celebrates its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. They are also initiating a new theme of Work and Working in Kansas. Also reviewed was the Smithsonian's traveling exhibit of The Way We Worked. Other cultural topics were mentioned. Questions were then asked by Representatives Feuerborn and Arpke regarding budgets and expenditures. It was clarified that the Humanities Council was in support of the funding amounts preferred by the Governor. There was no further discussion.

Chairman Gordon then addressed the Committee with the need to review some budgets. Fiscal analyst Audrey Dunkel reviewed items from the Post Secondary Education System FYI 2013 booklet, starting on page 16 (Attachment 3). Various financial information was clarified. The Chair then asked the members if there were any recommendations. Representative Landwehr moved that \$800, 00 be deleted from the State General Fund for Research and Data Bases and Board of Regents and to add that same amount to the State Library Board of Research and Data Bases. This motion was seconded by Representative Arpke. Representatives Feuerborn and Arpke addressed the members with discussion. Representative Cassidy asked for clarification of the effect of this motion on the Board of Regents. The Chair asked if there was further discussion, there was none. Representative Landwehr closed; a vote was taken, The motion carried.

Discussion was made regarding the KBOR and high school incentives that are tied to career / tech ed programs. Suggested that KBOR-delete \$20.5 million and review at Omnibus. Motion was made by Representative Aurand to pass the amendment; it was seconded by Representative Landwehr.

Representative Spalding inquired as to details from page 14 of the KBOR. Since the state saved over \$5.0million for MHEC, she moves to add \$5462 for FY 2012 as well as \$95,000 for FY 2013. This was seconded by Representative Winn. Representative Aurand moves to pass the amended bill which is seconded by Representative Spalding. A vote was taken, the motion carried.

Chairman Gordon then asked for discussion on the Historical Society Budget. Representative Landwehr moved that the budget be passed as is. This was seconded by Representative Winn. Discussion was made by several Representatives. Representative Feuerborn closed. A vote was taken and the motion failed.

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Discussion returned to the original motion for the Historical Society. The motion was made to pass the item out favorably. A vote was taken, *the motion carried*.

Chairman Gordon opened for discussion **HB 2435**. It was decided to wait until the next committee meeting to discuss it. The meeting was then adjourned at approximately 4:35

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