

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kathe Decker at 10:00 a.m. on January 21, 2004 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Daniel Williams- excused  
Representative Marti Crow- excused  
Representative Patrica Barbieri-Lightner- excused

Committee staff present:

Kathie Sparks Legislative Research Department  
Art Griggs, Office of the Revisor of Statues  
Ann Deitcher, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Dale Dennis, Deputy Commissioner of Education

The Chair introduced Dale Dennis who spoke to the Committee regarding the approved amendments to education legislation. (Attachment 1). A question and answer session followed.

A motion was made by Representative Hutchins and seconded by Representative Horst to introduce the Charter School as a Committee bill. The motion passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made by Representative Horst and seconded by Representative Craft to introduce the Transfers of Territory by Petition as a Committee bill and placed on the consent calendar. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Members of the Wichita Junior ROTC were recognized and speaking for the group were: Danielle Buchanan of Jardine Middle School, Hannah Young of Pleasant Valley Middle School and Josh Douglas of Wichita Northwest High School. They told the Committee that in the last 9 years their membership has grown from 250 members to 2, 600.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 22, 2004.