

MINUTES OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FINANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kathe Decker at 9:00 A.M. on February 8, 2006 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Valdenia Winn - excused

Committee staff present:
Carolyn Rampey, Kansas Legislative Research
Art Griggs, Revisor of Statutes Office
Theresa Kiernan, Revisor os Statutes Office
Ann Deitcher, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:
Barb Hinton, Legis. Div. Of Post Audit
Gerry Henderson, United School Administrators
Mark Desetti, KNEA
Diane Gjerstad, Wichita Public Schools

The Chair introduced Barb Hinton who offered additional information related to the impact of problems with the transportation formula identified in the K-12 education cost study. (Attachment 1).

Gerry Henderson offered testimony regarding the cost study on transportation weighting. (Attachment 2).

Offering the views of the KNEA was Mark Desetti. (Attachment 3).

Wichita Public Schools was represented by Diane Gjerstad. (Attachment 4).

Written only testimony was offered from Val DeFever of Schools for Quality Education, (Attachment 5) and Terry Holdren of Kansas Farm Bureau, (Attachment 6).

A motion was made by Representative Phelps and seconded by Representative O'Neal to approve the minutes of the Select Committee meetings of January 31, February 1 and 2. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30. The next meeting of the Select Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2006.