

Approved: January 28, 2009

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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry Powell at 3:30 p.m. on January 13, 2009, in Room 783 Docking State Office Building.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Pat Matzek, Administrative Assistant
Corey Carnahan, Kansas Legislative Research
Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research
Mike Corrigan, Revisor of Statutes Office
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes Office

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Fred Cholick, Dean and Director, College of Agriculture, Kansas State University

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairman Powell opened the meeting with introduction of Committee members and staff.

Committee Rules and Information for Conferees for 2009 were distributed to all members and staff for their review. There were no questions on these handouts.

Fred Cholick, Dean and Director, College of Agriculture, Kansas State University, and also Director of K-State Research and Extension, highlighted two components; the first one was a letter handout (Attachment 1) which highlighted the accomplishments of the Kansas Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Alternative Crops Annual Report, referred to as KCSAAC.

The second program is the Grazing Systems Program. In summarizing KCSAAC, it is about how to work with a group who wants to do something differently and provide them with educational material and knowledge to perform that function.

The second handout is called the Informal Report (Attachment 2 - on file at www.oznet.ksu.edu). This report represents the activities of K-State Research and Extension and is called the extension system of agriculture research program.

Below were the highlighted projects discussed and listed in the Informal Report:

- **Communities Network to Keep Groceries Local**
- **Healthy Choices Can Change Lives**
- **Workshops Help Retain Family Farm Ownership**
- **Sorghum Breeder Brings International Experience**

At the conclusion of the presentation, questions were asked and comments made by members of the Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.