

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE COMMITTEES ON UTILITIES.

The meeting was called to order by House Chairman Carl D. Holmes at 9:20 a.m. on January 13, 2005 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Vaughn Flora - Excused
Representative Carl Krehbiel - Excused
Representative Melody Miller - Excused

Committee staff present: Mary Galligan, Legislative Research
Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes
Jo Cook, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee: Lee Allison, Kansas Energy Council
Hal Gardner, Kan-ed

Others attending: See Attached List

Chairman Holmes welcomed Dr. Lee Allison, Chairman of the Kansas Energy Council to the joint committee meeting. Dr. Allison presented a power point presentation on the 2005 Kansas Energy Report (Attachment 1). Dr. Allison shared information regarding the Council's activities including their Action Items, Executive Branch Recommendations, and their Legislative Recommendations. Dr. Allison responded to questions from the joint committee.

Senate Chairman Emler welcomed Hal Gardner, Executive Director of Kan-ed, to the joint committee. Mr. Gardner provided a Legislative Executive Summary (Attachment 2) that shared the Vision and Mission Statements for Kan-ed, as well as its accomplishments and future plans. He also outlined the history of Kan-ed. Mr. Gardner told the joint committee that they expect the network to be essential to Kansas. Mr. Gardner responded to questions from the committee.

The joint meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

The next meeting will be January 18, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.