

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kathe Decker at 9:00 A.M. on February 9, 2006 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Judith Loganbill- excused
Dale Swenson- excused
Valdenia Winn- excused

Committee staff present:

Kathie Sparks, Kansas Legislative Research
Carolyn Rampey, Kansas Legislative Research
Art Griggs, Revisor of Statutes Office
Ann Deitcher, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Rep. Candy Ruff
Rep. Anthony Brown
Rep. Don Grange
Rep. Bill Otto
Rep. Sue Storm
Rep. Marti Crow
Corey Peterson, Assoc. of Gen. Contractors
Mark Tallman, KASB
Ken Willard, State Bd. Of Ed, Dist. 7
Kathy Cook, Ks Families United for Public Ed.
Joan Leavens, educator

The Chair introduced Representative Ruff who spoke in support of **HB 2684**. (Attachment 1).

Representative Brown gave a brief outline of the issues concerning **HB 2684**. (Attachment 2).

A letter of support for **HB 2684** was provided by Representative Grange. (Attachment 3).

Offering testimony in support of **HB 2684** was Representative Otto. (Attachment 4).

Corey Peterson spoke in support of **HB 2684** and requested that the Committee report it favorably for passage. (Attachment 5).

Mark Tallman offered comments regarding his organization's position on **HB 2684**. (Attachment 6).

The hearing was closed on **HB 2684**.

HB 2711 - Concerning appointment of Commissioner of Education.

Representative Storm addressed the Committee in support **HB 2711**. (Attachment 7).

Testimony in favor of the passage of **HB 2711** was offered by Representative Crow. (Attachment 8).

Kathy Cook testified in support of **HB 2711**. (Attachment 9).

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MINUTES OF THE House Education Committee at 9:00 A.M. on February 9, 2006 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

Joan Levens spoke in favor of the passage of **HB 2711**. (Attachment 10).

Written testimony from Mark Desetti, KNEA, in support of **HB 2711** was distributed. (Attachment 11).

Ken Willard appeared in opposition of **HB 2711**. (Attachment 12).

The hearing was closed on **HB 2711**.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 10, 2006.