

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Robert Olson at 1:30 pm on Wednesday, April 04, 2018, in room 548-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Ty Masterson – Excused

Committee staff present:

Erica Haas, Legislative Research Department

Matt Sterling, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Michael Welton, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant

Natalie Nelson, Legislative Research Department

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

There were no conferees

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Chairman Olson opened he meeting.

Chairman Olson called for approval of minutes previously submitted to the committee.

*Vice Chair Petersen motioned to accept the minutes as corrected for the dates of 3-6-18 through 4-4-18. Senator Wilborn seconded the motion. The motion passed to accept the minutes as corrected.*

**Confirmation hearings on:**

Chairman Olson opened the Confirmation Hearings.

Chairman Olson stated that the committee was conducting a hearing for confirmation: Dwight D. Keen, Commissioner, Kansas Corporation Commission. The term is a four year term ending March 15, 2022. The Chairman noted that the confirmation packet had been delivered to each committee member for their review and consideration on the confirmation hearing.

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Keen to the podium for comments ([Attachment 1](#)). Mr. Keen provided a brief update on his background, experience and shared his philosophy of governing. The Chairman called for questions from the committee.

The Chairman called for a motion on the confirmation.

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Senator Wilborn made a motion to move to the full Senate the confirmation for appointment Dwight D. Keen, Commissioner, Kansas Corporation Commission, which expires March 15, 2022. Vice Chair Petersen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Committee members congratulated and encouraged Mr. Keen regarding his endeavor to gain confirmation by the Senate Committee as a Whole.

Chairman Olson closed the confirmation hearing.

Chairman Olson adjourned the meeting at 1:00 pm. There is no future committee meeting currently scheduled.