

MINUTES OF THE SENATE ETHICS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Vicki Schmidt at 9:30 a.m. on January 15, 2009 in Room 446-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Senator Roger Reitz- excused

Committee staff present:
Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research
Reed Holwegner, Kansas Legislative Research
Mike Heim, Kansas Legislative Revisor
Ken Wilke, Kansas Legislative Revisor
Carolyn Long, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:
None

Others attending:
See attached list.

Staff Introductions

Chairwoman Vicki Schmidt welcomed the committee to the first meeting of the 2009 Legislative Session and asked that they introduce themselves and give their representative districts.

The staff of the Legislative Research Department, Office of the Revisor of Statutes and Chairman's Office were introduced.

Introduction of Proposed Legislation

Senator Apple moved to introduce legislation pertaining to hospital districts in Linn County. The motion was seconded by Senator Brungardt. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Presentation of Speaker

The Chair introduced Brad Bryant, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Elections and Legislative Matters, who handed out information to the committee outlining his five (5) talking points. They consisted of the 2008 Election, Help America Vote Act of 2002, Federal Legislation, Recent Kansas Legislation, and their 2009 Legislative Agenda (Attachment 1).

There being no further discussion, the Chairperson thanked Mr. Bryant for his presentation.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. The next scheduled meeting is January 22, 2009.