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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The meeting was called to order by Senator Jean Schodorf, Chairperson, at 1:30 pm. On February 1, 2012 in Room 152-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Vratil - excused

Committee staff present:

Sharon Wenger, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Laura Jurgensen, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Jason Long, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Eunice Peters, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Dale Dennis, Deputy Commissioner, Kansas Department of Education
Ann Deitcher, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Dr. Andy Tompkins, Pres. & CEO, Kansas Board of Regents

The Chair introduced the senate pages who were serving her for the day. They were Cadet Olivia Carroll, Cadet Allison Carroll and Joseph Alston.

SB 361 - Creating the excellence in education act.

Next, the Chair spoke to the Committee regarding the upcoming hearing on **SB 361**. She told them that the briefing on the bill would take place at the Thurs., Feb. 2 meeting instead of Mon., Feb. 6 as posted in the agenda.

Dr. Tompkins gave the Committee an update on higher education in Kansas. (Attachment 1).

Questions and answers followed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2012.

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