MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kathe Decker at 9:30 a.m. on March 4, 2004 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present: Kathie Sparks Legislative Research Department Art Griggs, Office of the Revisor of Statues Ann Deitcher, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Dale Dennis, Ks Dept. Of Ed Dr. Jim Barrett, Exec Dir. SW Plains Regional Service Center Charlie Mansfield, Consultant SW Plains Regional Center

<u>SB 346 - Schools; virtual courses or schools; out of state pupils not counted for enrollment purposes.</u>

Dale Dennis offered information on SB 346. (Attachment 1).

A question and answer period followed.

The hearing on SB 346 was closed.

SB 359 - School districts; alternative schools and programs; enrollment.

A brief explanation on SB 359 was given by Dale Dennis. (Attachment 2).

Copies of a balloon amendment to SB 359 were distributed. (Attachment 3).

Dr. Jim Barrett offered testimony in support of an amendment to SB 359. (Attachment 4).

Appearing as a proponent of SB 359 was Charlie Mansfield. (Attachment 5).

The hearing on SB 359 was closed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9, 2004.