

MINUTES OF THE EDUCATION BUDGET COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Lana Gordon at 3:30 pm on March 14, 2011, in Room 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Rep. Aurand - excused

Committee staff present:
Reagan Cussimano, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Jason Long, Revisor, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Bernadine Lloyd, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:
Dr. Susan Peterson, Director of Governmental Relations, KSU
Senator Mike Peterson
Dr. Andy Tompkins, President & CEO, KBOR
Kathy Damron, Director of Government Relations, KU
Julie Loats, Director, Enterprise Applications & Services, KU

Others Attending:
See attached list.

Hearing on:
SB 8 – Defining information technology project for state universities under the control of the state board of regents.

Jason Long, Revisor, Office of the Revisor of Statutes, presented an overview of the bill.

Proponents:
Dr. Susan Peterson, Director of Governmental Relations, KSU, submitted testimony that the current law requires any upgrade over \$250,000 to be reported and reviewed at the State level. She also says infrastructure implementations support K-State partnerships throughout the state and region including distance education, extension offices, research partnerships, and national research networks.
([Attachment 1](#))

Senator Mike Peterson submitted testimony to suggest a possible amendment to the language that was added to the bill. ([Attachment 2](#))

Dr. Andy Tompkins, President & CEO, KBOR, submitted testimony about the Board's request to remove problematic amendment language. ([Attachment 3](#))

Kathy Damron, Director of Government Relations, KU, spoke briefly about the bill and introduced Julie Loats.

Julie Loats, Director, Enterprise Applications & Services, KU, submitted and presented testimony that this bill reduces the project management overhead on both the regents Universities and the Enterprise Project Management Office without adding any risk to the important IT investments that Regents Universities regularly make to improve effectiveness and efficiency. ([Attachment 4](#))

A question and answer session followed each agency presentation.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2011 in 159-S.

The meeting adjourned 4:40 pm.

