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Legislative Post Audit Committee
March 9, 2016**

Call to Order

Welcome by the Chair. The meeting was called to order by Chair O'Donnell at 12:11 in Room 118-N of the Statehouse. The Chair thanked Brad Smoot of Kansas Governmental Consulting for providing members' lunch.

Committee members present:

Senator Michael O'Donnell, Chair	Representative Virgil Peck, Jr., Vice-Chair
Senator Anthony Hensley	Representative Ed Trimmer
Senator Laura Kelly	
Senator Jeff Longbine	
Senator Julia Lynn	

Approval of Minutes. Senator Lynn moved approval of the minutes for the January 13 and February 3 meetings. Representative Trimmer seconded the motion; motion carried.

Performance Audit Topics

Limited-scope audit request. Justin Stowe, Deputy Post Auditor, briefly reviewed for members the process for reviewing and authorizing limited-scope audits. He reminded members that if the Chair preliminarily approves a request, it then goes before the committee at its next meeting. If there are no objections by committee members, requests are approved automatically. Any objections must be phrased as a motion to remove the limited-scope audit from the approved list and place it on the regular performance audit list.

Mr. Stowe then briefed members on the request from Representative Mark Hutton dealing with savings from the Facility Conservation Improvement Program.

The Chair asked if any members had objections; there were none. The limited-scope audit was thereby authorized.

Presentation of Staff Performance Audits

K-12 Education: Evaluating the Costs and Benefits of Smoky Hill Education Service Center Membership. This audit was presented by Heidi Zimmerman, Principal Auditor.

Chris Modellmog, Smoky Hill Executive Director, delivered prepared remarks. Diane Mann, Smoky Hill Chief Financial Officer, was present to answer questions.

Senator Hensley asked for additional information on how education services for children in the juvenile correctional system are funded.

Senator Lynn made a motion to accept the audit. Senator Kelly seconded the motion; motion carried. All legislators will receive the audit highlights document and the following committees will be notified that the committee thought the report might be special interest:

House Committees

- Education
- Education Budget

Senate Committees

- Education
- Ways & Means Subcommittee on Education

Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism: Evaluating a Jefferson County Land Purchase. This audit was presented by Matt Etzel, Senior Auditor.

Present to respond to the audit were Robin Jennison, Secretary of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, and Chad Depperschmidt, KDWPT Budget Director. Secretary Jennison briefly addressed the committee.

Senator Hensley asked that staff follow up with the department to ensure that the legal questions surrounding acquisition of the land have been resolved.

Senator Kelly moved to accept the audit. Senator Longbine seconded the motion; motion carried. All legislators will receive the audit highlights document and the following committees will be notified that the committee thought the report might be special interest:

House Committees

- Agriculture and Natural Resources
- Agriculture and Natural Resources Budget

Senate Committees

- Natural Resources

Wrap-Up

Additional business. Scott Frank, Legislative Post Auditor, called the committee's attention to a memorandum by Katrin Osterhaus, IT Audit Manager, summarizing the results of her team's risk assessment of the 21 IT projects included in the November 2015 Summary Report published by the Enterprise Project Management Office. Based on that assessment, the team has selected the Department of Revenue's KanDrive project as the first IT system to be monitored. Ms. Osterhaus indicated the team may begin continuous monitoring of two additional high-risk projects later in the year, as time permits.

Date of next meeting. The Chair scheduled the next meeting for April 26, 2016.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Nicole Blanchett, Secretary
Legislative Post Audit Committee

date

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