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Legislative Post Audit Committee  
October 10, 2023**

**Call to Order**

**Welcome** – The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sean Tarwater at 12:04 p.m. in Room 546-S of the Statehouse. Committee members present:

Rep. Sean Tarwater, Chairman  
Rep. Shannon Francis  
Rep. Jason Probst  
Rep. Kristey Williams

Sen. Caryn Tyson, Vice Chair  
Sen. Ethan Corson  
Sen. Mike Petersen  
Sen. Mike Thompson  
Sen. Mary Ware

**Performance Audits**

**K-12 Cost Study** – Heidi Zimmerman, Principal Auditor, presented the findings from the audit and answered questions from the committee. Craig Neuenswander, Deputy Commissioner of Fiscal and Administrative Services at the State Department of Education, answered questions from the committee.

The audit will be distributed to all legislators.

**Consent Calendar**

Kristen Rottinghaus, Deputy Post Auditor, reviewed the consent calendar. The consent calendar included approval of the August 22 meeting minutes and acceptance of the completed performance audit presented at today's meeting. There were no objections, so the items were approved. Representative Williams abstained from voting on the minutes.

**Legislative Post Audit Operations**

**LPA Budget** – Chris Clarke, Post Auditor, explained the fiscal year 2024 revised budget and fiscal year 2025 budget request. She explained that the LPAC executive committee had approved both budgets. She also explained that after discussion and approval from the full committee,

LPA's budget would be submitted to the Legislative Coordinating Council (LCC) for its consideration. Senator Tyson made a motion to approve the budget as presented. Senator Ware seconded the motion; motion carried.

**Proposed Legislation** – Chris Clarke, Post Auditor, explained staff's rationale for requesting a bill for the upcoming legislative session to address several statutory requirements that affect LPA, including required audits of the 911 system implementation, KPERS, and economic development incentives. Chris explained the LPAC executive committee modified staff's request and directed staff to draft the proposed legislative changes in a single bill to be introduced in both chambers. After discussion, Representative Williams made a motion to approve the bill as presented. Senator Ware seconded the motion; motion carried. Chairman Tarwater directed staff to prefile the bill before the start of the 2024 legislative session.

**Post Auditor Evaluation** – Chris Clarke, Post Auditor, provided an update on the annual performance evaluation of the Post Auditor. She explained that Tom Day, Director of Legislative Administrative Services, would be sending an evaluation form to members. He will compile the results and the committee will deliver the evaluation in a closed executive meeting this winter.

### **IT Security Reports**

**Automated Biometric Identification System (ABIS) Monitoring Memo** – Katrin Osterhaus, IT Audit Manager, presented the findings from the monitoring memo and answered questions from the committee. Robert Jacobs, Associate Director at the Kansas Bureau of Investigation, answered questions from the committee.

The ABIS memo will be distributed to all legislators.

**2022 Follow-Up Memo** – Katrin Osterhaus, IT Audit Manager, presented the findings from the follow-up memo. The committee requested that staff present the follow-up memo in more detail in an executive session at LPAC's winter meeting.

### **Additional Business**

**Date of next meeting** – Chris Clarke, Post Auditor, outlined the audit schedule, including audits LPA will be releasing at upcoming meetings and the audits LPA will begin soon. She said the committee's last meeting of the calendar year will be this winter, likely in December. Chris said she

will work with the Chair to confirm a day and time.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

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Nicole Blanchett, Secretary  
Legislative Post Audit Committee

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