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**MINUTES
Legislative Post Audit Committee
January 22, 2025**

Call to Order

Welcome – The meeting was called to order by Chair Caryn Tyson at 12:02 p.m. in Room 546-S of the Statehouse. Committee members present:

Sen. Caryn Tyson, Chair	Rep. Shannon Francis, Vice Chair
Sen. Cindy Holscher	Rep. Tom Sawyer
Sen. Mike Petersen	Rep. Sean Tarwater
Sen. Pat Pettey	Rep. Kristey Williams
Sen. Mike Thompson	Rep. Valdenia Winn

Presentation by the Department of Commerce

The Department of Commerce is required by K.S.A. 74-50,228 to present to the committee annually by the end of January. Chair Tyson recognized Joshua Jefferson, Deputy Secretary of Business Development for the Department of Commerce, for an annual presentation of economic development programs administered by the department. Mr. Jefferson answered questions from the committee.

Committee Organization

Electing Committee Leadership – Chris Clarke, Post Auditor, reviewed the process for electing new leadership.

Chair: Senator Tyson opened the floor for nominations. Representative Tarwater nominated Representative Francis for Chair. Representative Williams seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Senator Tyson called for a vote. Representative Francis was elected unanimously.

Vice-Chair: Senator Tyson nominated Senator Thompson for Vice-Chair. Senator Petersen seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Representative Francis called for a vote. Senator Thompson was elected unanimously.

Executive Subcommittee member: Senator Tyson nominated Senator Pettey for the third Executive Subcommittee member. Representative

Sawyer seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Representative Francis called for a vote. Senator Pettey was elected unanimously.

Adoption of Committee Rules – Representative Williams made a motion to adopt the committee rules. Senator Petersen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Consent Calendar

Kristen Rottinghaus, Deputy Post Auditor, reviewed the consent calendar. The consent calendar included approval of the December 16, 2024 meeting minutes. There were no objections, so the minutes were approved. Representative Winn, Senator Pettey, and Senator Holscher abstained from voting on the minutes.

Additional Business

Date of next meeting – Chris Clarke, Post Auditor, said she would work with Chairman Francis to identify dates for committee meetings during the session. The committee discussed holding its next meeting on February 3, 2025 and holding meetings for the remainder of session on Mondays. Chris Clarke introduced committee staff.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Whitney Watson, Secretary
Legislative Post Audit Committee

date

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