COMMITTEE MINUTES for
ECONOMIC GROWTH

Date: February 24, 2009 **Place:** Room 22

Convened: 2/24/2009 4:10 PM **Recessed:** **Reconvened:** **Adjourned:** 2/24/2009 4:55 PM

Present: Senators Stewart-CH, Olive-VC, Houser-RM, Beall, Dandekar, Dotzler, Hamerlinck, Hatch, Heckroth, Kapucian, Reynolds, Rielly, Schmitz, Wieck, Wilhelm

Absent: None

Excused: None

The Economic Growth meeting came to order at 4:10 p.m. Senator Beall moved that minutes of the previous meeting be approved as printed.

Senator Stewart recognized Senator Dandekar for SSB 1087. After opening remarks, Senator Dandekar was recognized for the amendment, 1087.701. There were no questions on the amendment and it was passed short form. The bill as amended was also passed short form under rule 40 to the floor of the Senate.

Senator Stewart recognized Senator Hatch for SSB 1088. Following opening remarks, Senator Houser asked for the bill to be deferred. It was decided the bill would be brought before the committee at the next meeting, Thursday, February 26. Since Senator Hatch will not be present, Senator Beall, who was also on the subcommittee, will present the bill.

Senator Stewart recognized Dr. Ted Okiishi, Interim Vice Provost for Research and Economic Development, Iowa State University. Dr. Okiishi introduced his presenting group individually.

George Kraus, IPRT, spoke first.

Steve Carter, spoke on the Research Park.

Jim Heckman, SBDC, Small Business Development Centers, spoke about the work of the group.

Lisa Lorenzen, Industry Relations, talked about the Grow Iowa Values Fund.

Questions were asked of each of the presenters.

Senator Wilhelm moved to adjourn at 4:55 p.m.

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Senator Roger Stewart

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Jennie Stewart, Committee Secretary