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## MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate Economic Development Committee was held on Friday, October 30, 2013, at 1:30 p.m., at Kellogg Community College Regional Manufacturing & Technology Center, Room D, 405 Hill Brady Road, Battle Creek, MI 49037.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Members Present: Senators Kowall (C), Hildenbrand, Nofs, and Hansen  
Members Excused: Senators Emmons, Smith, and Ananich

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Senator Kowall called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Senator Hildenbrand moved to excuse absent members and, without objection, it was so moved.

Senator Nofs moved to approve the committee minutes from October 23, 2013 and October 25, 2013. Without objection, they were approved.

Senator Kowall announced the order of business:

- A Discussion of the Future of Economic Development.

The following people testified before the committee and answered questions:

- Frank W. Ervin III, Director, Government Affairs, Magna International, Inc.
- Polly Lasich, Network Controller, Post Foods
- David Powell, Dean, WMU College of Aviation
- Dr. Dennis Bona, President, Kellogg Community College
- Laura McGuire, Director, Regional Manufacturing & Technology Center
- Karl Dehn, President and CEO, Battle Creek Unlimited
- James McBryde, Michigan Economic Development
- Larry Bowran, Director of the Battle Creek Transportation Department.

Being no further business before the committee, Senator Kowall adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:53 p.m.

Date approved by the Committee: November 13, 2013

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