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TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY RE-ELECTS CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Glassman of Hays and Quattlebaum of Wichita Resume Leadership Roles

(TOPEKA) – The 12 member Kansas Technical Education Authority recently re-elected Joseph Glassman of Hays as Chair and William (Bill) Quattlebaum of Wichita as Vice Chair for 2009-2010.

“I am honored to have been elected to a third term as Chair,” said Glassman. “I look forward to working with the distinguished group of institutions and Authority members. The Authority will continue to address critical workforce shortages and efforts to provide high quality technical education opportunities to students.”

Glassman was appointed to the Authority by former Governor Kathleen Sebelius in 2007, served as the first Authority Chair from 2007-2008, and was re-elected to a second term as Chair in 2008. Glassman is the President and CEO of Glassman Corporation, a mechanical contracting firm established in 1946 in Hays.

Glassman currently serves as the chairman of the Hays-Russell Public Wholesale Water District. His past civic involvement includes the St. Nicholas Catholic Church, the Salina Vo-Tech Advisory Board, the Associated General Contractors of Kansas, the Thomas Moore Preparatory School Board, the Hays City Commission, the Kansas Water Authority, and Vo-Tech Education Commissioner. Glassman also served one term as Mayor of Hays. He is a graduate of the Thomas More Preparatory School, and has attended Fort Hays State University and Regis University in Denver, Colorado. He and his wife, Linda, have eight children.

Bill Quattlebaum was appointed to the Authority by former Governor Sebelius in 2007, served as the first Authority Vice-Chair from 2007-2008, and was re-elected to a second term as Vice Chair in 2008. He is the Vice President of Human Resources with Cessna in Wichita.

Prior to joining Cessna 30 years ago, Quattlebaum served in the United States Navy as an avionics technician and air-crewman. He has a bachelor’s degree in Business Administration from Wichita State University and is a certified Six Sigma Green Belt. He and his wife, Sharie, have two children and several grandchildren.

“Technical education will be a critical engine in driving economic recovery and development in Kansas,” said Quattlebaum. “I am honored to have been re-elected and look forward to the important work of the Authority during the coming year.”

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About the Technical Education Authority:

The 12-member Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority, which operates within the Kansas Board of Regents, was created by the Kansas Legislature in 2007, and is charged with coordinating statewide planning for postsecondary technical education.

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