Memorandum

Date: October 16, 1993

To: Senator Dole

From: Alec Vachon

Re: KETCH Advisory Board

Dave Spears sent the attached request to lend your name to the title of an advisory committee to the KETCH board in Wichita. The purpose of the committee is public relations on employment and ADA activities. A draft list of members is also attached; most appear to be community pillars. Mo indicated you would likely be familiar with this proposal.

00	YOU	WISH	TO	LEND	YOU	NAME	TO	THIS	COMMITTEE?
	"	YES			NO				

cc: Mariam Bechtel

10(18/93 (M) - notified Dan Spears.

KETCH A Proposal to Senator Dole January 29, 1993

KETCH proposes to combine the Employer Advisory Committee (EAC) with the Kansas Foundation for the Handicapped (KFH). Although the EAC did not receive second year funding, we would like to retain those members who played key leadership roles. The KFH board has concentrated its efforts in the past on fund raising and public relations and once again, we feel that there are some key people who can benefit KETCH. Therefore, we would like to consolidate the two groups in to the KETCH subsidiary corporation now called KFH.

The main goal of the new committee would be public relations. The committee would also focus on all employment programs including Senior Employment, Supported Employment, Projects With Industry and Employer Services (as related to the ADA and other employer needs), to provide support for grants and proposals, and assist in long range planning and evaluation.

The terms of service of the committee members would be 3 years.

We suggest the existing corporation (KFH) be named "The Robert J. Dole Committee on the Employment of Kansans With Disabilities". The name change would parallel the national committee, "The President's Committee on the Employment of Persons with Disabilities".

Attached please find a list of the proposed committee. We have combined key members of each group whom we feel will be able to meet the new goals of the Robert J. Dole Committee on the Employment of Kansans With Disabilities.

THE ROBERT J. DOLE COMMITTEE ON THE EMPLOYMENT OF KANSANS WITH DISABILITIES

The name of the committee will be the Robert J. Dole Committee on the Employment of Kansans With Disabilities.

Purpose: The primary purpose of the Robert J. Dole Committee on the Employment of Kansans with Disabilities will be to assist in public relations activities for KETCH and its' programs. The committee will also provide letters of support for grants and proposals, as needed, and assist in the long range planning and evaluation process of KETCH.

Goal of the Committee: This committee will provide leadership and direction in the employment of Kansans with disabilities. The committee will serve in an advisory capacity in the areas of marketing and public relations for KETCH.

Objectives:

- 1) The committee will provide input and direction in the development and implementation of the KETCH marketing plan including public relations activities.
- 2) The committee will provide assistance in networking with community leaders who can assist KETCH with marketing and public relations activities.
- 3) The committee will provide leadership in advocacy for persons with disabilities and community support for the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- 4) The committee will assist with networking opportunities which may result in job leads for Kansans with disabilities.
- 5) The committee will provide input to KETCH on legislative issues.

Authority and relationship to the KETCH Board: This committee will be advisory in nature and all ideas and suggestions, that affect policy, will be approved by the KETCH Board as necessary.

Composition of Committee: The committee will consist of 80% Public Relations professionals. The other 20% will include business professionals from other areas including one individual representing the interest of individuals with disabilities.

Structure of Committee: The committee will be chaired by Robert J. Dole. A Co-chairperson., will conduct the meetings in his absence and a Vice-Chairperson., who will chair the meetings in absence of both the Chairperson and Co-chairperson. The officers have been selected by the President of KETCH and Director of Employment Services for the duration of the first year. At the conclusion of the first year, the committee members will appoint the officers for the following years.

The officers will be as follows:

Chairperson - Senator Robert J. Dole
Co-chairperson - Don Sbarra
Vice Chairperson - Gary Cook

In order to insure that only one-third of the committee will rotate off during any one year, one-third of the committee will serve for a one year term, one-third will serve for a two year term, and one-third will serve for a three year term. Committee members may serve two consecutive three year terms. The committee will consist of no more than 20 members.

Committee Meetings: It is suggested that this committee will meet quarterly (4 times a year) at a time and place to be decided upon by the committee during the first meeting. The meetings will be called each quarter by the Co-Chairperson and the Director of Employment Services.

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