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Senator Jason Crowell Announces Reappointment of Kathy Swan to Coordinating Board for Higher Education

JEFFERSON CITY — Senator Jason Crowell, R-Cape Girardeau, today announced his sponsorship of Kathy Swan of Cape Girardeau to the Coordinating Board for Higher Education. Her interim reappointment to serve her third term on the board was recently announced by the governor.

Swan is president and owner of JCS/TEL-LINK, a small wireless communications company based in Cape Girardeau. Swan is involved in numerous professional organizations as well as community groups. She is the president of the American Freedom and Enterprise Foundation, a member of the Board of Directors of the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry, a member of the METS Coalition Board of Directors, a past Chair and current member of the Missouri National Federation of International Business Leadership Council and a member of the Education Council Administrative Committee of the Missouri Chamber.

“Kathy has been an active member of our community and an asset to the Coordinating Board for Higher Education since she was first appointed in 2002,” said Sen. Crowell. “While serving on the board she has held the positions of chair and secretary, highlighting what an active and engaged member she is. She serves as great representation for Southeast Missouri, and I look forward to serving as her Senate sponsor when the legislative session begins in January.”

The Coordinating Board for Higher Education is charged with coordinating the state system of higher education, which includes 13 public four-year colleges and universities, 17 public two-year community colleges, one public two-year technical college, 25 independent colleges and universities, 120 proprietary schools and 39 specialized independent schools and colleges and theological institutions. The nine-member board was authorized by an amendment to the Missouri Constitution in 1972, and established by statute in the Omnibus State Reorganization Act of 1974.

Gubernatorial appointments are appointed by the governor and must then be confirmed by the Senate. The Senate will meet to consider the governor’s interim appointments during the 2011 legislative session, which begins on January 6.

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