

Early Childhood Finance and Policy Division

Representative Dave Pinto, Chair of the Early Childhood Finance and Policy Division, called the virtual meeting to order at 8:30 AM on February 15, 2022 pursuant to House Rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

PINTO, Dave, Chair
PRYOR, Laurie, Vice Chair
FRANSON, Mary, Minority Lead
BENNETT, Peggy
BOLDON, Liz
DAVNIE, Jim
DEMUTH, Lisa
JURGENS, Tony
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
MORRISON, Kelly
WAZLAWIK, Ami
WOLGAMOTT, Dan

Members Excused:

DANIELS, Brian

A quorum was present.

Vice Chair Pryor moved the minutes of the committee meeting on February 22, 2022 be adopted.
THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The Following gave an overview of child care policies and issues in Greater Minnesota:
Marnie Werner, Vice President of Research & Operations, Center for Rural Policy and Development
Amber Glaeser, Director of Public Policy, Minnesota Farm Bureau
Caitlin Keck, Chair, Minnesota Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers
Charity Vold, Owner Operator, Kiddo Kountry Child Care
Sara Hewitt, Maple Wood Farms

Vice Chair Pryor moved HF3169.
Vice Chair Pryor withdrew her motion on HF3169.

HF3169 (Olson, L.); Greater Minnesota child care facility program funding provided, and money appropriated.

The following testified on HF3169:

The Honorable Liz Olson, State Representative
Scott McMahon, Executive Director, Greater Minnesota Partnership
Amy Baldwin, Community Development Director, Otter Tail County
Sue Stafki, Executive Director, Children's Corner Learning Center
Anne Schwagerl, Vice President, Minnesota Farmers Union, Big Stone County, MN

The meeting adjourned at 10:00am.

Representative Dave Pinto, Chair

Hans Dosland, Committee Legislative Assistant