

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 10, 2022, pursuant to House Rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and in-person at the Masonic Institute for the Developing Brain, and broadcast via House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Early Childhood Committee 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 Absent:

DANIELS, Brian

Workforce and Business Development Committee Members Present:

NOOR, Mohamud, Chair
XIONG, Jay, Vice Chair
HAMILTON, Rod, Minority Lead
DAVINE, Jim
FRANKE, Keith
GREENMAN, Emma
HALEY, Barb
JURGENS, Tony
KOEDEL, Erin
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
OLSON, Liz
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Members Absent:

BAKER, Dave

A quorum was present.

The following presented on the first 1000 days of brain development from the Masonic Institute for the Developing Brain (MIDB):

Damian Fair, Ph.D, Redleaf Endowed Director, Masonic Institute of the Developing Brain

The following gave an overview of Child Care & Early Learning: The Critical Foundation for Minnesota's Economy:

Glen Gunderson, President, YMCA of the North
Jonathan Weinhagen, President & CEO, Minneapolis Regional Chamber of Commerce
Heidi Hagel-Braid, Chief Program Officer, First Children's Finance
Tony Sertich, President & CEO, Northland Foundation

The following gave an overview of the report of the Early Care & Education Crisis Workgroup

Amy Walstein, Education and Workforce Development Policy Director, Minnesota Business Partnership

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Representative Dave Pinto, Chair

Representative Mohamud Noor, Chair

Hans Dosland, Committee Legislative Assistant

Abdihamid Badri Committee Legislative Assistant