

EDUCATION POLICY MINUTES

Representative Laurie Pryor, Chair of the Committee on Education Policy, called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM on February 1, 2023 in Room 120 of the Capitol.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

PRYOR, Laurie, Chair
HILL, Josiah, Vice Chair
BENNETT, Peggy, Republican Lead
BAKEBERG, Ben
BERG, Kaela
FEIST, Sandra
FRAZIER, Cedrick
KEELER, Heather
KNUDSEN, Krista
LEE, Liz
MUELLER, Patricia
URDAHL, Dean
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

A quorum was present.

Representative Lee moved to approve the minutes from January 31, 2023. The motion prevailed.

Overview presentation of Educational Options/Flexibility for Student Learning:

- Lucy Payne, School Board Member for Mahtomedi School District, and Faculty at the University of St. Thomas
- Barb Duffrin, Superintendent, Mahtomedi Public Schools
- Jason Berg, Superintendent, Farmington Public Schools

Representative Berg moved that HF613 be before the committee; to be laid over for further consideration or possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Representative Berg moved the HF0613A1 amendment. Representative Hansen presented the HF0613A1 amendment. A voice vote was taken. The HF0613A1 amendment was adopted.

Representative Hanson presented HF613 as amended.

The following testified on HF613 as amended:

- Linda Driessen, Executive Director, Bear Creek Services

Representative Berg renewed the motion that HF613 as amended be laid over for further consideration or possible inclusion in an omnibus bill. The motion prevailed.

Representative Youakim moved that HF620 be before the committee; to be referred to the committee on Education Finance.

Representative Youakim presented HF620.

The following testified on HF620:

- Bill Schwandt, Program Management Aide, Poplar Bridge Elementary School, Bloomington Public Schools
- Tracy Detloff, SPED teacher and Q-Comp Coordinator, New London-Spicer Public Schools
- Kim Kaneakua, Paraprofessional, Fridley School District, member of SEIU Local 284

Representative Youakim renewed the motion that HF620 be referred to the committee on Education Finance. A voice vote was taken. The motion prevailed.

Representative Bennett moved that HF923 be before the committee; to be laid over for further consideration or possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Representative Bennett presented HF923.

The following testified on HF923:

- Megan Forgette, Community Engagement Specialist, Department of Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Representative Bennett renewed the motion that HF923 be laid over for further consideration or possible inclusion in an omnibus bill. The motion prevailed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:31 pm.

Representative Laurie Pryor, Chair

Isabel Anderson, Committee Legislative Assistant