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Minutes of the House Standing Committee
On
Oversight

Tuesday, September 23, 2014

3:45 p.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Oversight was called to order by Representative Tom McMillin, Chair.

Members present: Representatives McMillin, Kelly, Leonard, Howrylak, Townsend, and Robinson.

Members absent/excused: Representatives O'Brien and Phelps.

Representative Kelly moved to adopt the minutes of September 16, 2014, as printed.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.

The following people testified on the special education complaint process that is administered by the Michigan Department of Education:

Marcie Lipsitt, Co-Chair, Michigan Alliance for Special Education.

Mark McWilliams, Michigan Protection and Advocacy Service.

Ben Williams, Legislative Liaison for the Michigan Department of Education (MDE),

Teri Johnson, Interim Director of Special Education for MDE,

Sheryl Diamond, Supervisor of Program Accountability for MDE,

Dr. Venessa Keesler, Deputy Superintendent.

Gwendolyn Poyntz, representing her son Amauri Poyntz.

Cara Daniel from South Lyon.

Dawn Reamer from New Boston.

Karen Dillard-Biggs from Southfield.

Julie Uram.

Carla B. Marymee, representing Kids First Advocacy.

Representative Kelly moved to excuse the members who were absent. The motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present.

There being no other business before the committee, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 5:50 p.m.

Tom McMillin, Chair
House Standing Committee on Oversight

Doug Simon, Committee Clerk

Date approved by the committee