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Minutes of the House Standing Committee
on
Education Reform

Thursday, March 9, 2017

9:00 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Education Reform was called to order by Representative Tim Kelly, Chair.

The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives Kelly, Hornberger, Crawford, Garcia, Roberts, Alexander, Griffin, Lilly, Noble, Reilly, Zemke, Brinks, Chang, Camilleri, and Sowerby. (15/15)**

The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of March 2, 2017 as printed.

Representative Lilly moved to adopt the minutes of March 2, 2017, as printed.

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

The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 4163.

HB 4163 (Garcia) Labor; collective bargaining; calendar and schedule for school year; make prohibited subjects of bargaining.

Representative Garcia, the bill sponsor, explained the bill, and introduced Dr. Curtis E. Finch, Jr., Superintendent of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District, and Dr. Daniel Jonker, Superintendent of Allendale Public Schools, who testified in support of the bill. Questions followed.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Bob Kefgen, Director of Government Relations for Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals;

Allie Bush, Director of Government Affairs for Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce;

Beth DeShone, Advocacy Director for the Great Lakes Education Project;

Tony Daunt, Director of Operations for the Michigan Freedom Fund;

Christopher Glass, Director of Legislative Affairs for West Michigan Talent Triangle in the Kent Intermediate School District;

Annalisa Grunwald, Legislative Liaison for the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators;

Emily Laidlaw, representing the Education Service Agencies Legislative Group; and

Peter Spadofore, Associate Executive Director for Government Relations for the Michigan Association of School Administrators.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Nick Ciaramitaro, Legislative Director for AFSCME Council 25;

Julie Rowe, Legislative Mobilization Coordinator for the American Federation of Teachers-Michigan;

Dr. David Michelson, lobbyist for the Michigan Education Association; and

Fran Brennan, Legislative Director for Michigan AFL-CIO.

The Chair laid before the committee a presentation from Innovation Council and EdTech Specialists.

Michael Murray, Consultant for EdTech Specialists, briefed the members about transforming learning.

Dr. Randy Speck, Superintendent of the Madison Public School District, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the transforming learning programs in his district. A copy of his presentation is attached

The Chair laid before the committee a presentation on the Competency Based Model.

Bruce Umpstead, Project Director and Managing Partner of ScaleUP Education Partners, and Mary Sutton, Project Partner and Executive director for Michigan Afterschool Partnership, explained Competency-Based Education to the committee. A copy of their handouts are attached. Questions followed.

There being no other business before the committee; **Representative Hornberger moved to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion prevailed, the time being 10:33 a.m.

The Chair declared the Committee adjourned.

Tim Kelly, Chair
House Standing Committee on Education Reform

Joy Brewer, Committee Clerk

Date approved by the committee