

\*Senate Committee\*

## COMMITTEE MINUTES for EDUCATION

Date: *January 29, 2014*

Location: *RM 22*

Convened: *1:00 PM*

Adjourned: *2:00 PM*

### Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Senators Quirnbach-CH, Schoenjahn-VC, Ernst-RM, Beall, Behn, Boettger, Bowman, Dvorsky, Hart, Hogg, Johnson, Mathis, Sinclair, Wilhelm, Zaun

Absent: None

Excused: None

The meeting came to order at 1:03 p.m.

The minutes of the 1/27/2014 meeting were approved without discussion.

The Republicans went to caucus at 1:05 p.m. and returned to the meeting at 1:09 p.m.

Senator Quirnbach yielded the Chair to Senator Schoenjahn. Senator Schoenjahn recognized Senator Quirnbach for [SSB 3105](#). He reported that his subcommittee recommended passage. There was no discussion. A roll call vote passed the bill 9-6.

Senator Schoenjahn recognized Senator Quirnbach for [SSB 3106](#). Senator Quirnbach reported that his subcommittee recommended passage. There was no discussion. A roll call vote passed the bill 9-6.

Senator Schoenjahn returned the Chair to Senator Quirnbach who recognized Senator Beall for [SSB 3107](#). Senator Beall reported that his subcommittee recommended passage. There was no discussion; the bill passed unanimously.

The Chair introduced opera singer Simon Estes who spoke about his introduction to opera as a student and the need for fine arts education in our schools.

The Chair then introduced Leon Kuehner, of the Iowa Alliance for Arts Education, who emphasized the importance of fine arts in the education of our children as well as the importance of adding Fine Arts to the Iowa Common Core.

The Chair thanked the presenters. A short discussion took place concerning fine arts education in our schools.

Senator Schoenjahn moved to arise at 2:00 p.m.

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Rebecca Hoepner, Committee Secretary