Senate Committee

COMMITTEE MINUTES for EDUCATION

Date: January 27, 2016

Location: RM 22

Convened: 1:05 PM

Adjourned: 1:40 PM

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Senators Quirmbach-CH, Schoenjahn-VC, Sinclair-RM, Behn, Bowman, Dvorsky, Hart, Hogg, Johnson, Kinney, Kraayenbrink, Mathis, Schultz, Wilhelm, Zaun

Absent:

Excused:

The meeting came to order at 1:05 pm.

Senator Schoenjahn moved to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2016 meeting. Approval by the Committee was unanimous.

Senator Quirmbach presented "Fine Arts Advocacy Day" and Leon Kuehner, Iowa Alliance of the Arts.

Mr. Kuehner introduced Sarah Dougherty, art educator at Findley Elementary School in Des Moines. Sarah spoke and introduced Kal Penn, an actor working in the Des Moines Schools.

Mr. Kuehner introduced Deb Ragan, a mentor teacher from Bettendorf and Alex Steines, a young music teacher from Albia.

All the speakers emphasized the importance of the arts in the education of our children.

Senator Quirmbach thanked the speakers. Senators Bowman, Mathis, Hart, and Hogg had questions and comments.

Senator Sinclair moved to arise at 1:40 pm. All committee members went to caucus.

Senator Herman C. Quirmbach

Rebecca Hoeppner, Committee Secretary