

Senate Committee

COMMITTEE MINUTES for EDUCATION

Date: *January 11, 2017*

Location: *RM 22*

Convened: *2:30 PM*

Adjourned: *2:50 PM*

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Senators Sinclair-CH, Edler-VC, Quirmbach-RM, Behn, Bowman, Chelgren, Danielson, Dvorsky, Greene, Hart, Johnson, C., Kraayenbrink, Lofgren, Mathis, Rozenboom

Absent:

Excused:

The meeting came to order at 2:30 pm.

Senator Sinclair gave a brief introduction and asked each senator to give an introduction of themselves to the room.

Opening remarks- Chair Senator Sinclair

Vice Chair Senator Elder

Ranking member Senator Quirmbach

Republican education staffer Gannon Hendrick and Democrat education staffer Bridget Godes were introduced to the room.

Senator Chelgren moved the passage of approving the committee rules.

The motion was approved on a unanimous voice vote.

The committee gave unanimous consent for Senator D. Johnson's request to address the committee.

Senator Johnson asked the committee to be open to working with him as an independent senator on bills that they agree on and asked the chair to discuss with leadership the role of an independent senator on the committee.

Senator Chelgren was recognized.

He discussed Senator D. Johnson's rights as an Independent senator and emphasized the leadership's opinion on Senators D. Johnsons influence on the committee's decisions.

Senator Quirmbach was recognized.

He welcomed Senator D. Johnsons input on upcoming bills and agreed with Senator Chelgren's statements.

Senator Kraayenbrink made a motion to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:50

Senator Amy Sinclair

Casey Nickel, Committee Secretary