

House Committee

COMMITTEE MINUTES for EDUCATION

Date: **February 4, 2026**

Location: **RM 102**

Convened: **1:00 PM**

Recessed: **2:25 PM**

Reconvened: **6:50 PM**

Adjourned: **7:30 PM**

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Representatives Wheeler-CH, Fett-VC, Ehlert-RM, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Kurth, Larson, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez, Shipley, Stone

Absent:

Excused:

Chairman Wheeler called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Roll call was taken with 23 members present.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Chairman Wheeler read the assignment of bills.

Assignment of bills, at discretion of chair

[HSB 636](#) Boden (Ch), Hayes, Levin

[HF 332](#) Henderson (CH), Gehlbach, Kurth

[HF 2171](#) Boden (CH), Hayes, Matson

[HSB 648](#) Behn (CH), Henderson, Madison

Discussion with Des Moines Public Schools

Chairman Wheeler moved to recess at 2:25 p.m.

Chairman Wheeler called committee back to order at 6:50 p.m.

Consideration of bills

[HF 2106](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Fett for opening comments for [HF 2106](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Fett was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HF 2106](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HF 2106](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 16 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Moore, T., Shipley, Stone) and 7 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Gosa, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Ramirez).

[HSB 604](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Gehlbach for opening comments for [HSB 604](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Gehlbach was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HSB 604](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HSB 604](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 21 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Ehlert, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez, Shipley, Stone) and 2 nays (Representatives Kurth, Levin).

[HSB 557](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Stone for opening comments for [HSB 557](#)

- There is an amendment.
- Representative Stone moved Amend .2329 to [HSB 557](#) and requested a recorded vote.
- Amend .2329 to [HSB 557](#) passed on a division of record vote, 16 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Moore, T., Shipley, Stone) and 7 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Gosa, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Ramirez).
- The committee moved back to the bill [HSB 557](#) and there was discussion.
- Representative Stone was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HSB 557](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HSB 557](#) as amended as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 22 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Ehlert, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez, Shipley, Stone) and 1 nay (Representative Kurth).

[HF 2121](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Hayes for opening comments for [HF 2121](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Hayes was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HF 2121](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HF 2121](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 14 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Shipley, Stone) and 9 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Gosa, Ingels, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez).

[HF 2091](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Behn for opening comments for [HF 2091](#).
- There is an amendment.
- Representative Behn moved Amend .2346 to [HF 2091](#) and requested a recorded vote.
- Amend .2346 to [HF 2091](#) failed on a division of record vote, 7 yeas (Representatives Ehlert, Gosa, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Ramirez) and 16 nays (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Moore, T., Shipley, Stone).
- The committee moved back to the bill [HF 2091](#) and there was discussion.
- Representative Behn was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HF 2091](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HF 2091](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 17 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Moore, T., Shipley, Stone) and 6 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Ramirez).

[HSB 636](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Boden for opening comments for [HSB 636](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Boden was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HSB 636](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HSB 636](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 14 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Shipley, Stone) and 9 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Gosa, Ingels, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez).

[HF 2171](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Boden for opening comments for [HF 2171](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Boden was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HF 2171](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HF 2171](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 14 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Shipley, Stone) and 9 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Gosa, Ingels, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez).

With no further business to come before the committee, Chairman Wheeler motioned to adjourn, seconded by Behn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Representative Skyler Wheeler

Jamie Spangler, Committee Secretary