

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Jack Wells, on January 10, 2007 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jack Wells, Chairman (R)
Sen. Bob Hawks, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Dave Lewis (R)

Members Absent:

Rep. Eve Franklin (D)

Staff Present:

Nancy Hall, OBPP
Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Branch
Kathy Baird, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Goals/Objectives Budget Hearing: Montana Board of Public Education
Montana School for Deaf and Blind

Executive Action: None

MEETING WITH THE BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

00:01:31 Steve Meloy, Executive Secretary, Montana Board of
Public Education (MBPE)

Proponents:

00:38:22 Sheila Stearns, Commissioner of Higher Education (CHE)

00:43:55 Erik Burke, MEA-MFT

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:27:11 Sen. Hawks

00:28:20 Mr. Meloy, MBPE

00:29:56 Rep. Wells

00:34:51 Mr. Meloy, MBPE

00:36:54 Sen. Wanzenried

00:37:24 Rep. Glaser

00:37:37 Mr. Meloy, MBPE

00:46:26 Sen. Wanzenried

00:46:53 Ms. Stearns, CHE

00:50:04 Sen. Wanzenried

00:50:35 Mr. Meloy, MBPE

00:53:33 Sen. Hawks

00:53:59 Mr. Meloy, MBPE

00:55:13 Break

01:07:07 Reconvene

MEETING WITH THE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND

01:07:45 Steve Gettel, Superintendent, Montana School for Deaf
and Blind (MSDB)

EXHIBIT(jeh06a01)

Proponents:

01:30:14 Sandy McGennis, Outreach Consultant, Montana School
for Deaf and Blind

EXHIBIT(jeh06a02)

01:32:21 Kathy Johnson, Audiologist, Montana School for Deaf and
Blind

01:38:46 Steve Meloy, Executive Secretary, Montana Board of
Public Education (MBPE)

01:40:19 Erik Burke, MEA-MFT

01:43:47 Carl Schwitzer, Representative, Montana Association for
the Blind

01:45:23 Bob Runkel, Acting Superintendent, OPI

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:47:48 Sen. Hawks
01:48:49 Mr. Gettel, MSDB
01:52:06 Sen. Wanzenried
01:53:20 Mr. Gettel, MSDB
01:56:09 Bill Sykes, Business Manager, Montana School for the
Deaf and Blind, MSDB
01:58:17 Sen. Wanzenried
01:58:47 Bill Sykes, MSDB
01:59:11 Sen. Wanzenried
01:59:42 Bill Sykes, MSDB
02:01:46 Sen Wanzenried
02:02:23 Mr. Gettel, MSDB
02:02:45 Sen. Wanzenried
02:03:09 Mr. Gettle, MSDB
02:05:43 Sen. Wanzenried
02:06:17 Mr. Gettel, MSDB
02:08:49 Rep. Wells
02:10:34 Bill Sykes, MSDB
02:11:56 Rep. Wells
02:12:31 Bill Sykes, MSDB

Closing by:

02:13:45 Chairman Wells

ADJOURNMENT

02:13:55 Adjournment

REP. JACK WELLS, Chairman

KATHY BAIRD, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([jeh06aad.pdf](#))