

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEES ON EDUCATION & LONG RANGE PLANNING

**Call to Order:** Chair Mike Hopkins, on January 23, 2019 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 472  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Appropriations Subcommittee on Education:

Sen. Daniel R. Salomon, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. David Bedey (R)  
Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)  
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)  
Sen. Susan Webber (D)  
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Appropriations Subcommittee on Long Range Planning:

Rep. Mike Hopkins, Chair (R)  
Sen. Mike Cuffe, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)  
Sen. Cary Smith (R)

**Members Excused:**

Rep. Llew Jones, Chair (R)  
Sen. Jon Sesso (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Cathy Duncan, Legislative Branch  
Shauna Albrecht, Legislative Branch  
Christine Hultin, Office of Budget Program & Planning  
Kathlyn Royal, Committee Clerk

**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:** University Project Hearings

08:01:45 Chair Hopkins  
 08:03:22 Cathy Duncan, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

**EXHIBIT(jeh13a01)**

08:06:36 Chair Hopkins  
 08:06:38 Shauna Albrecht, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
 08:06:45 Chair Hopkins

**Public Comment:**

08:07:28 Mary Moe, Great Falls City Commissioner  
 08:11:53 Bob Kelly, Mayor of Great Falls  
 08:15:10 Kim Dunlap, Great Falls College, Montana State University (MSU)  
 08:17:41 Rep. Bessette  
 08:18:21 Cheyenne Smith, self  
 08:20:23 Taylor Blossom, Associated Students of Montana State University (ASMSU)

**EXHIBIT(jeh13a02)**

08:21:36 Chair Hopkins  
 08:21:42 Taylor Blossom, MSU  
 08:21:54 Haley Cox, self  
 08:22:42 Sheridan Johnson, Associated Students of Montana State University (ASMSU)  
 08:24:02 Geneva Zoltek, Associated Students of Montana State University (ASMSU)  
 08:26:49 Sam Forstag, Montana Associated Students  
 08:28:23 Erik Burke, Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE)  
 08:31:15 Ed Bartlett, Bozeman Area Chamber of Commerce  
 08:32:08 Chair Hopkins  
 08:32:22 Liv Stavick, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)

**Project Hearings:**

08:33:08 Tracy Ellig, Montana State University (MSU) Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)  
 08:34:44 Clayton Christian, Commissioner, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)  
 08:41:25 Chair Hopkins  
 08:41:56 Waded Cruzado, President, Montana State University (MSU)  
 08:54:17 Chair Hopkins  
 08:54:33 Vice Chair Cuffe  
 08:56:02 Waded Cruzado, MSU  
 08:59:35 Vice Chair Cuffe  
 08:59:38 Waded Cruzado, MSU  
 08:59:43 Vice Chair Cuffe  
 08:59:59 Rep. Hamlett  
 09:04:21 Vice Chair Salomon  
 09:05:29 Rep. Woods  
 09:07:20 Sen. Webber  
 09:08:20 Waded Cruzado, MSU  
 09:08:41 Tracy Ellig, MSU, OCHE

**EXHIBIT(jeh13a03)**

09:11:49 Joe Schumacher, Montana State University (MSU)  
 09:16:54 Chair Hopkins  
 09:17:10 Joe Schumacher, MSU  
 09:18:46 Rep. Bedey  
 09:19:04 Joe Schumacher, MSU  
 09:20:08 Rep. Peppers  
 09:20:39 Joe Schumacher, MSU  
 09:22:19 Chair Hopkins  
 09:22:38 Joe Schumacher, MSU  
 09:25:06 Chair Hopkins  
 09:25:32 Joe Schumacher, MSU  
 09:27:10 Rep. Hamlett  
 09:29:00 Joe Schumacher, MSU  
 09:29:19 Susan Wolff, Great Falls College Montana State University (MSU)  
 09:36:36 Sen. Webber  
 09:36:46 Susan Wolff, MSU  
 09:37:28 Shauna Albrecht, LFD  
 09:37:49 Sen. Thomas, Majority Leader  
 09:38:32 Susan Wolff, MSU  
 09:39:50 Sen. Thomas, Majority Leader  
 09:40:02 Susan Wolff, MSU  
 09:40:14 Sen. Thomas, Majority Leader  
 09:40:24 Susan Wolff, MSU  
 09:40:53 Sen. Thomas, Majority Leader  
 09:41:05 Susan Wolff, MSU  
 09:41:46 Sen. Thomas, Majority Leader  
 09:42:40 Susan Wolff, MSU  
 09:43:22 Vice Chair Cuffe  
 09:43:50 Susan Wolff, MSU  
 09:44:18 Vice Chair Cuffe  
 09:44:27 Susan Wolff, MSU  
 09:44:58 Darren Boss, Montana Agricultural Experiment Station (MAES), Montana State University (MSU)  
 09:49:28 Rep. Bedey  
 09:49:41 Darren Boss, MAES, MSU  
 09:50:22 Rep. Bedey  
 09:50:47 Rep. Hamlett  
 09:52:22 Darren Boss, MAES, MSU  
 09:53:34 Recessed  
 10:07:05 Reconvened

**Public Comment:**

10:07:34 Cindy Palmer, Montana Farmers Union

**Project Hearings:**

10:09:28 Commissioner Christian, OCHE  
 10:12:09 Marina Little, Department of Administration (DOA)

**EXHIBIT(jeh13a04)**

10:17:05 Rep. Woods  
10:17:14 Marina Little, DOA  
10:17:31 Dan Stevenson, Montana State University (MSU)  
10:18:39 Rep. Woods  
10:18:50 Dan Stevenson, MSU  
10:19:27 Rep. Woods  
10:19:38 Dan Stevenson, MSU  
10:20:00 Rep. Hamlett  
10:20:07 Dan Stevenson, MSU  
10:21:44 Marina Little, DOA  
10:22:33 Chair Hopkins  
10:23:03 Marina Little, DOA  
10:23:17 Rep. Hamlett  
10:23:29 Marina Little, DOA  
10:23:37 Commissioner Christian, OCHE  
10:25:16 Marina Little, DOA  
10:26:23 Sen. Webber  
10:26:36 Marina Little, DOA  
10:27:46 Christine Hultin, Office of Budget Program and Planning (OBPP)  
10:29:59 Sen. Webber  
10:30:10 Cathy Duncan, LFD  
10:30:21 Christine Hultin, OBPP  
10:33:14 Sen. Salomon  
10:33:18 Chair Hopkins

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 10:33:46

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Kathlyn Royal, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([jeh13aad.pdf](#))