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MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Daniel R. Salomon, on January 11, 2019 at 2:00 P.M., in Room 137 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Daniel R. Salomon, Chair (R)
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Keith Regier, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)
Sen. Carlie Boland (D)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Charlene Devine, Committee Secretary
Padraic McCracken, Legislative Branch

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: Introductions of educational entities and stakeholders;
Introductions and updates from OPI; School funding review

14:02:29 Chair Salomon

Introductions of Education Stakeholders

14:03:49 Elsie Arntzen, superintendent, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

[EXHIBIT\(eds05a01\)](#)

14:06:50 Dennis Parman, Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)

[EXHIBIT\(eds05a02\)](#)

14:08:56 Siri Smilie, education policy advisor, Governor's Office

14:09:29 Marco Ferro, Montana Federation of Public Employees

14:10:05 Dianne Burke, Montana Quality Education Coalition

14:10:47 Denise Williams, Montana Association of School Business Officials

14:11:33 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana

14:12:46 Sen. Tempel entered the hearing.

14:13:14 Rick Duncan, superintendent, Powell County High School District

[EXHIBIT\(eds05a03\)](#)

14:13:50 Peter Donovan, Board of Public Education

[EXHIBIT\(eds05a04\)](#)

14:14:57 Steve Meloy, Montana School Board Association

14:16:56 EJ Redding, Bangle Public School

[EXHIBIT\(eds05a05\)](#)

OPI Introductions

14:17:49 Ms. Arntzen, OPI

14:18:09 Susie Hedalen, deputy superintendent of Education Services, OPI

14:19:44 Ms. Arntzen

14:19:57 Jule Walker, deputy superintendent of Operations, OPI

14:21:09 Ms. Arntzen

14:29:03 Chair Salomon

School Funding Presentation

14:29:21 Padraic McCracken, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

14:29:14 Sen. Regier

14:29:26 Dennis Parman, MREA

14:32:51 Nick VanBrown, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

14:33:56 Chair Salomon

14:36:00 Brief Recess

14:39:30 Reconvened

14:39:52 Mr. McCracken, LSD

14:45:01 Mr. VanBrown, LFD

14:51:23 Mr. McCracken

14:52:42 Sen. Webber

14:53:03 Mr. McCracken

[EXHIBIT\(eds05a06\)](#)

15:08:20 Chair Salomon
15:08:22 Sen. McClafferty
15:09:35 Sen. Regier
15:09:37 Chair Salomon

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:09 PM

Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([eds05aad.pdf](#))