

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

**Call to Order:** Chair David Bedey, on January 22, 2021 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 472  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. David Bedey, Chair (R)  
Sen. Daniel R. Salomon, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. John Fuller (R)  
Rep. Llew Jones (R)  
Rep. Connie Keogh (D)  
Sen. Shane A. Morigeau (D)  
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

**Members Excused:**

Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:**

Jasmine Hart, Committee Secretary  
Katie Guenther, Legislative Branch  
Anthony Nuno, Remote Meetings Coordinator

**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:**

Commissioner of Higher Education Hearing

08:33:24 Chair Bedey

**COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION HEARING**

08:34:59 Commissioner Clayton Christian, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

08:35:27 Sen. Bogner joined the meeting.

08:39:00 Rep. Jones left the meeting.

08:41:35 Chair Bedey

**Appropriation Distribution Program:**

08:42:43 Katie Guenther, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

**See exhibit 1 in Jan 20, 2021 minutes**

**[EXHIBIT\(jeh15a01\)](#)**

09:04:30 Chair Bedey

09:07:42 Katie Guenther, LFD

09:08:13 Vice Chair Salomon

09:10:13 Katie Guenther, LFD

09:10:51 Vice Chair Salomon

09:11:03 Rep. Windy Boy

09:11:32 Katie Guenther, LFD

09:15:12 Chair Bedey

**Commissioner of Higher Education Presentations:**

09:17:39 Commissioner Christian, OCHE

09:21:10 Chair Bedey

09:21:31 Tyler Trevor, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

**[EXHIBIT\(jeh15a02\)](#)**

09:22:34 Chair Bedey

09:22:54 Tyler Trevor, OCHE

09:29:45 Chair Bedey

09:30:03 Vice Chair Salomon

09:30:56 Tyler Trevor, OCHE

09:32:27 Rep. Windy Boy

09:33:00 Tyler Trevor, OCHE

09:36:12 Chair Bedey

09:36:29 Commissioner Christian, OCHE

09:37:42 Chair Bedey

09:39:22 Rep. Windy Boy

09:39:38 Chair Bedey

09:40:16 Brock Tessman, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

09:54:31 Rep. Keogh

09:54:58 Brock Tessman, OCHE

09:56:04 Rep. Keogh

09:56:18 Rep. Windy Boy

09:57:43 Brock Tessman, OCHE

09:59:16 Rep. Windy Boy

09:59:48 Tyler Trevor, OCHE

10:04:50 Rep. Windy Boy  
10:07:13 Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
10:09:01 Scott Lemmon, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)  
10:22:04 Rep. Keogh  
10:23:14 Scott Lemmon, OCHE  
10:24:45 Rep. Keogh  
10:25:16 Scott Lemmon, OCHE  
10:33:19 Brock Tessman, OCHE  
10:37:04 Chair Bedey  
10:38:09 Brock Tessman, OCHE  
10:38:20 Rep. Keogh  
10:40:03 Brock Tessman, OCHE  
10:44:53 Commissioner Christian, OCHE  
10:45:51 Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
10:47:50 Rep. Windy Boy

**Student Leaders Presentations:**

10:48:41 Allison Reinhardt, Montana Associated Students (MAS)  
10:49:21 Rachel Schmidt, Associated Students of Montana State University (ASMSU)  
10:50:00 Jack Rinck, Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM)  
10:54:09 Allison Reinhardt, MAS  
10:57:07 Rachel Schmidt, ASMSU  
11:00:43 Allison Reinhardt, MAS

**Committee Questions and Responses:**

11:01:27 Chair Bedey  
11:02:45 Rep. Windy Boy

**Public Comment:**

11:03:25 Diane Fladmo, Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE)

**EXHIBIT(jeh15a03)**

11:06:09 Chair Bedey  
11:08:27 Rep. Keogh  
11:10:06 Chair Bedey

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment:  
11:10:18

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Jasmine Hart, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([jeh15aad.pdf](#))