

MINUTES
MONTANA SENATE
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (S) EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Daniel Salomon-R, on March 10, 2023 at 2:05 PM, in 422

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Daniel Salomon, Chair (R)
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Daniel Emrich (R)
Sen. John Fuller (R)
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (D)
Sen. Andrea Olsen (D)
Sen. Keith Regier (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Sen. Greg Hertz (R)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)

Staff Present: Pad McCracken, Research Analyst
Lynnette Sena, 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:

Hearing & Date Posted:

SR 33 01/30/2023

Executive Action:

SR 33 RESOLUTION ADOPTED

HEARING ON SR 33 - Confirm governor's appointees for board of public education

Opening Statement:

14:06:38 Chair Daniel Salomon (R), SD 47, opened the hearing on SR 33, Confirm governor's appointees for board of public education.

Proponent Testimony:

14:09:09 Dylan Klapmeier, Governor's Education Advisor, Governor's Office

14:12:07 McCall Flynn, Executive Director, Board of Public Education (BPE)

14:13:42 Renee Rasmussen, appointee

14:14:29 Tim Tharp, appointee

14:15:51 Ron Slinger, appointee

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

14:17:32 Sen. John Fuller

14:17:57 Renee Rasmussen, appointee

14:20:13 Tim Tharp, appointee

14:21:49 Ron Slinger, appointee

14:23:11 Sen. John Fuller

14:23:20 Ron Slinger, appointee

14:24:12 Sen. John Fuller

14:24:21 Sen. Keith Regier

14:24:46 Tim Tharp, appointee

14:25:18 Sen. Daniel Emrich

14:27:40 Ron Slinger, appointee

14:31:48 Sen. Daniel Emrich

14:33:35 Tim Tharp, appointee

14:36:48 Sen. Daniel Emrich

14:41:45 Renee Rasmussen, appointee

14:44:22 Vice Chair Edith (Edie) McClafferty

14:44:47 Tim Tharp, appointee

14:47:32 Ron Slinger, appointee

14:49:43 Renee Rasmussen, appointee

14:51:00 Sen. Shannon O'Brien

14:51:16 Todd O'Hair, President and CEO, Montana Chamber of Commerce

14:53:47 Sen. Shannon O'Brien

14:53:54 Lance Melton, Coalition of Advocates for Montana Public Schools

14:55:45 Sen. John Fuller

14:56:17 McCall Flynn, BPE

Closing Statement:

14:57:30 Chair Daniel Salomon (R), SD 47, closed the hearing on SR 33.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 33 - Confirm governor's appointees for board of public education

14:58:38 **Motion:** Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel moved that **SR 33 RESOLUTION ADOPTED.**

14:58:38 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

14:59:11 **Committee Discussion:**

14:59:16 Sen. Andrea Olsen

Additional Documents

15:00:30 Chair Daniel Salomon

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:00:43

Lynnette Sena, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230310EDSaad\)](#)