K-12 Education Budget Division

Wednesday, January 26, 2005

9:00 a.m. Room 112 - State Capitol

Members Present

Members Excused

Senator B. Wergin

Senator L. Stumpf

Senator E. Anderson

Senator M. Fischbach

Senator D. Gaither

Senator D. Hann

Senator D. Johnson

Senator M. Jungbauer

Senator S. Kelley

Senator K. Langseth

Senator S. Marko

Senator S. Nienow

Senator G. Olson

Senator T. Saxhaug

Senator L. Scheid

Senator W. Skoglund

Senator D. Sparks

Senator C. Wiger

Senator Stumpf called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

The committee members continued the discussion of the Education Finance Reform Task Force report.

The testifiers all expressed their desire to move forward on improving school funding and indicated their concerns about delaying reform of the education funding system.

Testifying were:

Jan Alwager - Education Minnesota

Tom Melcher - DOE

Grace Schwab - MN School Boards Association

Brad Lundell – Schools for Equity

Vernae Hasbargen – MN Rural Education Association

Bob Brown – Task Force member

Handout # 1 – Pioneer Press - Budget Plan Bumps Property Tax – Patrick Sweeney

Handout # 2 - MAP Expenditure Estimates Based on Professional Judgment Panels FY 2002 Data - Tom Melcher

Handout # 3 – FY 2006 Est. General Ed. Special Ed. Career Tech. Integration, ALT Facilities Revenue and Misc. Levies per New Adjusted Pupil Unit

Handout #4 – Inflation Adjusted Revenue per Student Less Building Debt and Spec Ed Expenses – Vernae Hasbargen

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The proceedings were taped and the materials distributed are attached to these minutes.

Senator LeRoy Stumpf

Chairman/

Jeri Wenzel, Legislative Assistant



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AGENDA

Continuing discussion - Education Finance Reform Task Force -

Department of Education - Chas Anderson - Tom Melcher

Jan Alswager - Education Minnesota

Charlie Kyte - Minnesota Association of School Administrators

Grace Schwab - Minnesota School Boards Association

Brad Lundell - Schools for Equity in Education

Bob Brown - Task Force Member; - Professor - St. Thomas; former Minnesota Senator