STATE OF MINNESOTA SIXTH MEETING SENATE NINETY-THIRD SESSION

EDUCATION POLICY MINUTES

Senator Steve Cwodzinski, Chair of the Committee on Education Policy, called the meeting to order at 12:47 PM on January 30, 2023, in Room 1200 of the Minnesota Senate Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present: CWODZINSKI, Steve, Chair MAYE QUADE, Erin, Vice Chair COLEMAN, Julia, Ranking Member ABELER, Jim BOLDON, Liz DUCKWORTH, Zach HAUSCHILD, Grant KUNESH, Mary MANN, Alice WESENBERG, Nathan

A quorum was present.

Chair Cwodzinski moved to recommend that the appointment of Willie Jett as Commissioner of Education be confirmed.

Commissioner Willie Jett presented before the committee.

Chair Cwodzinski renewed the motion to recommend that the appointment of Willie Jett as Commissioner of Education be confirmed and voted on before the Senate Floor. A voice vote was taken. The motion prevailed.

Chair Cwodzinski moved SF579 to be heard in committee; be referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

Senator Maye Quade presented SF579.

The following testified on SF579.

- Molly Codding, Sierra Club Advocate
- Josh Downham, Minneapolis Public Schools

Senator Maye Quade renewed the motion that SF579 be referred to the Committee on Education Finance. A voice vote was taken. The motion prevailed.

Chair Cwodzinski moved SF635 to be heard in committee, on the table for potential future inclusion in the omnibus.

Senator Kunesh presented SF635.

The following testified on SF635.

- Skyler Kuczaboski, Minnesota Indian Affairs Council
- Sheila Lamb, NWDR Proud
- Adosh Unni, Minnesota Department of Education

Senator Kunesh renewed the motion that SF635 be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. A voice vote was taken. The motion prevailed.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:43 pm

Senator Steve Cwodzinski, Chair

Reagan Greene, Committee Legislative Assistant