



Minnesota Senate Higher Education Committee

Thursday, March 23, 2023

3:00pm

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Agenda:

I. Call to Order

II. Senate File 32 (McEwen)

Testifying:

-Jes Shimek, Lab Assistant, Anoka-Ramsey Community College, AFSCME Local 4001

-Ed Reynoso, Director of Political and Legislative Affairs, Teamsters Local 320

-Diana Holmes, Communications Coordinator, AFSCME Council 5

III. Senate File 2967 (Kupec)

Testifying:

-Jonathan Bohn, Government Relations Director, Inter-Faculty Organization

-Kaileigh Weber, State Chair, Students United

IV. Senate File 2390 (Rarick)

Testifying:

-Abigail Menth, Clinical Supervisor, Children's Minnesota

-Amy Walstein, Director of Education Policy and Workforce Development, Minnesota Business Partnership

V. Senate File 3097 (Fateh)

Testifying:

-Karen Velez Barron, LatinoLEAD

-Dr. Daizy Valentin, Valentin Consulting

-Michelle Cochran, Rochester Technical and Community College

VI. Senate File 3005 (Champion)

Testifying:

-Dana Mitchell, President, Minnesota Association of Black Lawyers

- Lisa Brabbit, Dean, University of St. Thomas
- Kevin Lindsey, Chief Executive Officer, Minnesota Humanities Center
- Rick Petry, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Mitchell Hamline Law School
- Brandon Williams, Fellow, Minneapolis Foundation

VII. Informational hearing on bills related to the University of Minnesota Medical School and CentraCare partnership

Testifying:

- Dr. Ken Holmen MD, President, CentraCare
- Santo Cruz, Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, CentraCare
- Mike Blair, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, CentraCare
- David Larson, Vice President for Support Services, CentraCare
- Dr. Shailey Prasad, Associate Vice President for Global and Rural Health, University of Minnesota

VIII. Senate File 1807 (Putnam)

IX. Adjourn