



# Minnesota Education Finance Committee

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

8:30 a.m.

Room 1150

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## **Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Senator Kunesh's S.F. 3472
  - i. Testifiers
    1. Denise Dittrich, director of Government Relations, Minnesota School Boards Association
    2. Margaret R. Bird, former director of Utah School Children's Trust
    3. John Mulè, Director of Legal and Policy Services, Minnesota State Board of Investment
3. Senator Kunesh's S.F. 4106
  - i. Testifiers
    1. Aaron Vande Linde, Director of Minnesota Office of School Trust Lands
    2. Laurie Harper, TNEC chair
    3. Denise Dittrich, Director of Government Relations, Minnesota School Boards Association
4. Senator Putnam's S.F. 5005
  - i. Testifiers
    1. Jodi Gertken, Director of State Government Affairs and Community Relations, CentraCare
    2. Tom Fennel, Regulatory Officer for Mayo Clinic Ambulance
5. Senator Carlson's S.F. 4259
  - i. Testifiers
    1. Cindy Miller, library media specialist and K12 Computer Science Lead, Duluth Public Schools
    2. Jennifer Rosato, Northern Lights Collaborative for Computing Education director, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
    3. Erica Allenburg, Chair of Edina School Board
6. Senator Kunesh's S.F. 3746
  - i. Testifiers
    1. Cynthia Bauerly, Women's Foundation of Minnesota
    2. Dr. Eileen Crespo with MN Chapter American Academy of Pediatrics (remote)
    3. Priscilla Mayowa, Minnesota Youth Council Director, Minnesota Alliance with Youth
7. Adjournment

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