



# Minnesota Education Finance Committee

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

8:30 a.m.

Room 1150

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## **Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Senator Gustafson's S.F. 4997
  - i. Testifiers
    1. Leah Jones - Executive Director, LIFE Prep (Virtual)
    2. Carrie Bakken - Program Coordinator, Avalon (Virtual)
    3. Tony Simmons - Executive Director, High School for the Recording Arts (HSRA) (Virtual)
    4. Shannon Mitchell - Public Policy and Advocacy Director, Minnesota Association of Charter Schools (In Person)
3. Maye Quade's S.F. 3922
  - i. Testifiers
    1. Cory Franson, Director of Community Engagement and Community Education, Elk River School District
4. Senator Maye Quade's S.F. 3698
  - i. Testifiers
    1. Bobbie Burnham, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Education
    2. Kristine Wehrkamp, Superintendent, Royalton Public Schools
    3. Cory McIntyre, Anoka Hennepin Superintendent
5. Adjournment

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