

Minnesota State Senate

Education Policy Committee
Monday, March 3, 2025
12:30 PM, 1200 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

Present: Senator Steve A. Cwodzinski - **Chair**, Senator Erin K. Maye Quade - **Vice Chair**, Senator Julia E. Coleman - **Ranking Minority Member**, Senator Jim Abeler, Senator Liz Boldon, Senator Zach Duckworth, Senator Grant Hauschild, Senator Mary K. Kunesh, Senator Alice Mann, Senator Nathan Wesenberg

Absent: Senator Jeremy R. Miller

Senator Steve A. Cwodzinski called the meeting to order at 12:53pm

Call to Order

S.F. 1979: Senator Rarick: School construction near former landfills prohibition.

Testifiers: Larry Lanoux, former City Planning Commissioner and City Councilman

Be laid over.

S.F. 1405: Senator Kunesh: American Indian drumming permission in public school.

Testifiers: Virgil Wind, Chief Executive of Mile Lacs Band of Ojibwe, Chair of Onamia School Board; Isabella Stensrud-Eubanks, Student, Hinckley-Finlayson High School

Be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 1404: Senator Kunesh: American Indian mascot exemption requirements modification.

Testifiers: Johnny Johnson, Education Director and former Tribal Council President; Brandon Alkire, Legislative Director, Minnesota Indian Affairs Council (MIAC); Robert Pilot, Owner/Host, Native Roots Radio Network

Senator Kunesh moved the A2 amendment - motion adopted by voice

Senator Kunesh moved the A3 amendment - motion adopted by voice

Senator Cwodzinski moved that S.F. 1404, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Education Finance Committee.
- **MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:04pm



Senator Steve A. Cwodzinski, Chair



Diana Rico, Majority Legislative Support Supervisor