

Minnesota State Senate

Education Finance Committee
Wednesday, March 5, 2025
8:30 AM, 1150 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

Present: Senator Mary K. Kunesh - **Chair**, Senator Heather Gustafson - **Vice Chair**, Senator Jason Rarick - **Ranking Minority Member**, Senator Doron Clark, Senator Steve A. Cwodzinski, Senator Robert D. Farnsworth, Senator Karin Housley, Senator Andrew R. Lang, Senator Eric Lucero, Senator Erin K. Maye Quade, Senator Clare Oumou Verbeten, Senator Bonnie S. Westlin

Absent: Senator Michael E. Kreun

Senator Mary K. Kunesh called the meeting to order at 8:36 am

Call to Order

- Community Education Presentation**
- a. Matt Dickhausen, Executive Director, MN Community Education Association
 - b. Cory Franson, Director of Community Engagement and Community Education, Elk River School District.

The following individuals presented on Community Education:
Matt Dickhausen, Executive Director, MN Community Education Association
Cory Franson, Director of Community Engagement and Community Education, Elk River School District

- Adult Basic Education Presentation**
- a. Scott Helland, Harmony Adult Education
 - b. Karen Wolters, Mankato Area Adult Basic Education
 - c. Susie Evans, Great Rivers Adult Education Consortium
 - d. Elizabeth Fontaine, International institute of Minnesota.

The following individuals presented on Adult Basic Education:
Scott Helland, Harmony Adult Education
Karen Wolters, Mankato Area Adult Basic Education
Susie Evans, Great Rivers Adult Education Consortium
Elizabeth Fontaine, International Institute of Minnesota

S.F. 1461: Senator Maye Quade: School-age care programs to provide services to certain eligible prekindergarten students authorization.

The following individuals testified on S.F.1461:
Cory Franson, Director of Community Engagement and Community Education, Elk River School District

Be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 2007: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Full-service community schools provisions modifications and appropriation.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved the A-1 amendment - motion prevailed.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2007:

Jennifer Stefan, Principal, King Elementary, Deer River (Remote)

Danielle Hatcher, Parent, Brooklyn Center Schools (Remote)

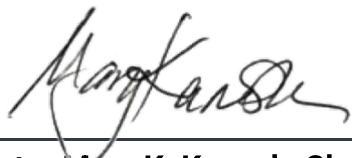
Jason Kuhlman, Principal, Valley View Elementary, Columbia Heights

Becky Stromstand, 3rd grade teacher, Saint Paul Music Academy

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04



Senator Mary K. Kunesh, Chair



Tessa Yeager, Legislative Assistant