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Education and Cultural Subcommittee

Wednesday, December 18, 2019 Room 110 Blatt Building

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Attendance

I. The Education and Cultural Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chairman Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr., Wednesday, December 18, 2019, in Room 110 of the Blatt Building. All members were present for some or all of the meeting, except Representative Tommy Stringer.

Minutes

I. House Rule 4.5 requires standing committees to prepare and make available to the public the minutes of committee meetings, but the minutes do not have to be verbatim accounts of meetings. It is the practice of the Legislative Oversight Committee to provide minutes for its subcommittee meetings.

II. Representative Neal Collins moves to approve the minutes from the Subcommittee's prior meeting on December 9, 2019. A roll call vote is held, and the motion passes.

Representative Stringer's motion to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2019 meeting:	Yea	Nay	Not Voting: Present	Not Voting: Absent
Neal A Collins	✓			
Patricia Moore Henegan	✓			
Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr.				
Tommy Stringer	✓			✓

Discussion of the Department of Education

- I. Chairman Jefferson provides opening comments and states that this is the subcommittee's fifth meeting with the Department of Education. Further, he explains the purpose of the meeting is to:
 - receive information from the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office pertaining to the education-fuinding;
 - address follow up questions about the Department of Education's Division of Legal Affairs, which presented on December 9, 2019;
 - dicuss the Department of Education's Division of Data, Technology, and Agency Operations, and
 - discuss the Department of Education's Division of Educator, Community, and Federal Resources
- II. Chairman Jefferson places the following under oath:
 - Frank Rainwater, Executive Director Office of Revenue and Fiscal Affairs;
 - Besty Carpentier, Deputy Superintendent Division of Data, Technology, and Agency Operations;
 - Melissa Myers, Director of Auditing Services;
 - Brian Pratt, Director of Chief Information Office;
 - Joshua Miller, Director Chief Information Security Office;
 - Dan Raylea, Director of Research and Data Analysis;
 - Karla Hawkins, Deputy Superintendent Division of Educator Effectiveness and Leadership Development;
 - Lilla Toal Mandsager, Director of the Office of Educator Effectiveness and Leadership Development;
 - Mary Hipp, Director of the Office of Educator Services;
 - Sabrina Moore, Director of the Office of Student Intervention Services; and
 - Ryan Brown, Chief Communications Officer.

Cathy Hazelwood, Deputy Superintendent Division of Legal Affairs; Elise Montgomery, Chief Procurement Officer; and Katie Nilges, Director of Governmental Affairs, are also present. Chairman Jefferson then reminds all individuals sworn in during prior Committee meetings they remain under oath.

- III. Frank Rainwater, Executive Director Office of Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, provides an overview of public funding for education. His presentation is available on the Committee's website for the public to view
- IV. Cathy Hazelwood, Deputy Superintendent Division of Legal Affairs, and Elise Montgomery, Chief Procurement Officer, respond to questions about the agency's procurement process.
- V. Betsy Carpentier provides an overview of the Division of Data, Technology, and Agency Operations.
- VI. Dan Raylea, Director of Research and Data Anaylsis testifies about the Office of Research and Data Analysis including its mission and deliverables. Related deliverables include:
 - Deliverable 60: ORDA Provide support related to student information systems, including PowerSchool, Enrich, SUNS, and related data;
 - Deliverable 61: Collect and anlyze data for the annual state report cards, EDFacts reporting, state reporting, and longitudinal data systems;
 - Deliverable 62: Publication of the annual state and federal report cards; and
 - Deliverable 63: Provide support to other programs with data collection and reporting needs.

Betsy Carpentier and Dan Raylea respond to member questioning about the Office of Research and Data Analysis.

- VII. Melissa Myers provides testimony about the Office of Auditing Services, including its mission, employee turnover rate, and related deliverables. Related deliverables include:
 - Deliverable 50: Perform interal audits of agency operations and purchasing and inventory audits of county bus shops;
 - Deliverable 51: Perform external audits of subreceipient use of federal funds passed through the SCDE;
 - Deliverable 52: Publish guides, handbooks, and reports (annual Audit Guide, the SCDE Financial Accounting Handbook, the National Public Education Finance Survey Report, and UGG Guidance);
 - Deliverable 53: Provide external auditing training; and
 - Deliverable 54: Risk sssessments.

Betsy Carpentier and Melissa Myers respond to member questioning about the Office of Auditing Services.

- VIII. Brian Pratt provides testimony about the Office of the Chief Information Officer, including its mission, employee turnover rate, and related deliverables. Related deliverables include:
 - Deliverable 55: Provide technology infrastructure development and support for the agency by maintaining all systems hardware and software;
 - Deliverable 56: Provide project management, business analysis, application development, quality assurance and support;
 - Deliverable 57: Provide agency desktop support, help desk functions, telecommunications and privacy; and
 - Deliverable 58: Provide print and mail functions.

Betsy Carpentier and Brian Pratt respond to member questioning about the Office of the Chief Information Officer.

- IX. Joshua Miller provides testimony about the Chief Information Security Office, including its mission, employee turnover rate, and deliverable 59, which is to provide systems that protect agency systems and information from malicious attack. Betsy Carpentier and Brian Pratt respond to member questioning about the Chief Information Security Office.
- X. Karla McLawhorn Hawkins provides an overview of the Division of Educator, Community, and Federal Resources inluving the respective missions of the offices that cormprise it.
- XI. Lilla Toal Mandsager provides testimony about the Office of Educator Effectiveness and Leadership Development including its employee turnover rate and deliverables. Related deliverables include:
 - Deliverable 34: Provide monitoring, support, and training for statewide implementation of educator effectiveness and support systems;
 - Deliverable 35: Provide human capital data to inform professional development planning, program evaluation, and continuous improvement; and
 - Deliverable 36: Provide support for teacher retention, principal induction, and educator effectiveness through leadership development programs.

Karla McLawhorn Hawkins and Lilla Toal Mandsager respond to member questioning about the Office of Educator Effectiveness and Leadership Developments.

- XII. Mary Hipp provides testimony about the Office of Educator Services including its staffing and employee turnover rate and deliverables. Related deliverables include:
 - Deliverable 41: Educator Certification System;
 - Deliverable 42: Program of Alternative Certification for Educators (PACE);
 - Deliverable 43: Educator Certification; and
 - Deliverable 44: Educator Preparation.

Karla McLawhorn Hawkins and Mary Hipp respond to member questioning about the Office of Educator Services.

- XIII. Sabrina Moore provides testimony about the Office of Student Intervention Services including its mission, employee turnover rate and deliverables. Related deliverables include:
 - Deliverable 38: Provide local, regional, and statewide training related to school safety and emergency management. Administer the Youth Risk Behaviors Surveys (YRBS) and School Health Profiles;
 - Deliverable 39: Administer and provide support, training, and monitoring to recipients of the federally funded 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) grant.
 Grant recipients include school districts, community- and faith-based organizations, higher education institutions, and for-profit entities; and
 - Deliverable 40: Provide district support, training, and/or monitoring of the Education and Economic Development Act, Alternative School Programs, South Carolina Occupational Information System, and other initiatives which address student behavior and discipline.

Karla McLawhorn Hawkins and Sabrina Moore respond to member questioning about the Office of Student Intervention Services.

Adjournment

I. There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned.