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MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Room 110 – Blatt Building

Archived Video Available

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Attendance

- I. The Education and Cultural Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chair Timothy A. “Tim” McGinnis on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, in Room 110 of the Blatt Building. All subcommittee members (Chair McGinnis; Representative Phillip Bowers; Representative Michael Rivers; Representative Paul Wickensimer; Representative Robert Williams) were present for all or a portion of the meeting

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.

Approval of Minutes

- I. Representative Wickensimer made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from prior meeting. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

Rep. Wickensimer's motion to approve meeting minutes.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Bowers	✓.		
Rep. McGinnis	✓.		
Rep. Rivers			✓.
Rep. Wickensimer	✓.		
Rep. Williams	✓.		

Discussion of the Tuition Grants Commission, Findings and Recommendations

- I. Prior to beginning any testimony, Chair McGinnis acknowledges both Director Stevens and Deputy Director, Zachary Christian, remain under oath.
- II. Members review and consider the findings and recommendations for inclusion in the subcommittee report.
- III. Members directed comments to Director Katie Stevens and Deputy Director Zachary Christian
- IV. Representative Wickensimer made a motion that the subcommittee study to include the findings and recommendations for inclusion in the study report. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

Rep. Wickensimer's motion to approve meeting minutes.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Bowers	✓.		
Rep. McGinnis	✓.		
Rep. Rivers			✓.
Rep. Wickensimer	✓.		
Rep. Williams	✓.		

Discussion of the Department of Education Overview

- I. Chair McGinnis acknowledges that the Department of Education, Superintendent Weaver remains under oath from the March 19, 2025. Superintendent Weaver then begins her testimony.
- II. Topics of Discussion Include:

- a. Agency mission
- b. Agency overview
- c. Agency divisions
- d. Agency goals
- e. Organization
- f. K-12 Highlights

Members ask questions to Superintendent Weaver throughout her testimony, and she responds accordingly.

Adjournment

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