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Education and Cultural Subcommittee Thursday, February 28, 2019

Room 321 Blatt Building

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## Attendance

I. The Education and Cultural Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chairman Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr., Thursday, February 28, 2019, in Room 321 of the Blatt Building. All members were present for some or all 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. It is the practice of the Legislative Oversight Committee to provide minutes for its subcommittee meetings.

II. Representative Tommy Stringer moves to approve the minutes from the Subcommittee's meeting on February 12, 2019. A roll call vote is held, and the motion passes.

Representative Stringer's motion to approve the minutes from the February 12, 2019, meeting:	Yea	Nay	Not Voting: Present	Not Voting: Absent
Neal A Collins	✓			
Patricia Moore Henegan				~
Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr.	✓			
Tommy Stringer	~			

#### Discussion of Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School

- I. Chairman Jefferson provides opening comments and states that this is the subcommittee's first meeting with Wil Lou Gray. Further, he explains the purpose of the meeting is to receive testimony about educational services and retention.
- II. Chairman Jefferson states all testimony provided to this Committee is under oath, and reminds everyone previously sworn in that they remain under oath.
- III. Mr. Scott Gaines (Principal) provide testimony about Wil Lou Gray's educational services. Ms. Diane McNinch, Crisis Counselor, and Ms. Lettice Glenn, Social Worker, provide testimony about the counselling department. Brenda Arrant, Healthcare Director, provides testimony about the medical department.
- IV. Agency staff respond to Subcommittee member questions about:
  - Student grade-level improvement;
  - Special education services;
  - GED testing;
  - Home-visits;
  - SAT and ACT testing;
  - Crisis mental health counselors;
  - Reports to the Department of Social Services;
  - Academic Risk Indicator; and
  - Substance Abuse.

#### Adjournment

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