

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION
STANDING COMMITTEE**
Room 30, House Building
February 26, 2014

Members Present: Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair
Rep. Lowry Snow, Vice Chair
Rep. Patrice M. Arent
Rep. Rich Cunningham
Rep. Greg H. Hughes
Rep. Bradley G. Last
Rep. David Lifferth
Rep. Dan McCay
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. Jim Nielson
Rep. Val Peterson
Rep. Marie H. Poulson
Rep. Kraig Powell
Rep. Dean T. Sanpei
Rep. Keven Stratton

Members Absent: Rep. Steve Eliason

Staff Present Ms. Constance C. Steffen, Policy Analyst
Ms. Linda Service, Committee Secretary

Note: List of visitors and copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Vice Chair Snow called the meeting to order at 8:12 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Cunningham moved to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2014 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hughes, Rep. Moss, Rep. Peterson, and Rep. Stratton absent for the vote.

H.B. 131 Public Education Modernization Act (Rep. F. Gibson)

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to replace **H.B. 131** with **2nd Sub. H.B. 131**.

Rep. Gibson explained the substitute bill.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hughes, Rep. Peterson, and Rep. Stratton absent for the vote.

Tom Greaves, Greaves Group, and Mark Towner, teacher, Granite School District, assisted Rep. Gibson with his presentation.

Spoke to the bill: Dr. Martell Menlove, State School Superintendent
Sarah Jones, Utah Education Association, distributed a handout
titled "Teachers Speak Out About "The Public Education
Modernization Act"
Geoff Leonard, Utah School Employees Association
Tiffany Hess, parent
Alisa Ellis, parent
Gayle Ruzicka, citizen
Brad Asay, American Federation of Teachers
Peter Cannon, citizen
Autumn Cook, citizen

Spoke for the bill: Chet Linton, School Improvement Network
Ben Horsley, Granite School District
Jared Sites, Principal, Dixon Middle School
Terry Shoemaker, Wasatch School District
Hollie Pettersson, Canyons School District
Hanifi Oguz, Beehive Academy
Chris Bleak, President, Utah Association of Public Charter

Schools

Richard Nelson, Utah Technology Council
Jeffery Flam, education development software
John Anderson, Dixon Middle School

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with
Rep. Nielson voting against the motion. Rep. Poulson was absent for the vote.

**H.B. 150 Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Amendments (Rep. V.
Peterson)**

This bill was not considered.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to adjourn. Vice Chair Snow adjourned the meeting at
10:03 a.m.

Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair

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