

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE EDUCATION
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Friday, February 3, 2017 • 4:00 pm • 210 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Ann Millner, Chair
Sen. J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Deidre M. Henderson
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
President Wayne L. Niederhauser
Sen. Howard A. Stephenson

Staff Present:

Mr. Nathan W. Brady, Policy Analyst
Ms. Lorna Wells, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at le.utah.gov.

Acting Chair Stephenson called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

Sen. Iwamoto moved to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2017, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2. Voting in the affirmative were: Sen. Millner, Sen. Adams, Sen. Hillyard, Sen. Iwamoto, Sen. Stephenson. Absent or not voting were: Sen. Henderson, Sen. Niederhauser

1. S.B. 117 Higher Education Performance Funding (*Millner, A.*)

Sen. Ann Millner explained the bill.

MOTION: Chair Millner moved to replace S.B. 117 with 1st Substitute S.B. 117. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

Yeas:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Henderson
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. W. Niederhauser
Sen. H. Stephenson

Nays:

Abs:

Dr. David L. Buhler, Commissioner, Utah System of Higher Education spoke in favor of the bill.

Dr. David Woolstenhulme, Commissioner of Technical Education, Utah College of Applied Technology spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: President Niederhauser moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 117 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-0.

Yeas:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Henderson
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. W. Niederhauser
Sen. H. Stephenson

Nays:

Abs:

2. S.B. 144 Carson Smith Scholarship Amendments (*Fillmore, L.*)

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore explained the bill.

Ms. Cheryl Smith, Carson Smith's mother, spoke against the bill.

Dr. Julia Hood, Director, Carmen B. Pingree Autism Center of Learning, spoke to the bill.

Mr. John Pingree, Pingree Center, spoke to the bill.

Dr. Julia Hood spoke to the bill

Ms. Natalie Grange, Assistant Superintendent of Financial Operations, Utah State Board of Education spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Chair Millner moved to go to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. H. Stephenson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Henderson
Sen. W. Niederhauser

3. S.B. 148 School Leadership Task Force (*Millner, A.*)

Sen. Ann Millner explained the bill.

Mr. Brad Asay, President, AFT Utah spoke to the bill.

Dr. Sara Jones, Utah Education Association spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Chair Millner moved to pass S.B. 148 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. H. Stephenson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Henderson
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. W. Niederhauser

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. H. Stephenson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Henderson
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. W. Niederhauser

Sen. Stephenson adjourned the meeting at 5:41 p.m.

Chair Ann Millner