

# DRAFT MINUTES

## SENATE EDUCATION CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE

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Monday, June 8, 2026 | 11:00 a.m. | 450 State Capitol

### Members Present:

Sen. Ann Millner, Chair  
Sen. Heidi Balderree  
Sen. Luz Escamilla  
Sen. John D. Johnson  
Sen. Michael K. McKell  
Sen. Kathleen A. Riebe

### Members Absent:

Sen. Chris H. Wilson

### Staff Present:

Micah Ann Wixom, Policy Analyst  
Amy Hawkes, Administrative Assistant

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Chair Millner called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

### 1. Committee Business

**MOTION:** Sen. Johnson moved to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2026, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. H. Balderree  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. K. Riebe  
Sen. C. Wilson

### 2. Review the Proposed Appointment of Adam Gerlach as a member of the State Charter School Board

Adam Gerlach introduced himself, discussed his background and qualifications, and responded to questions from the committee.

**MOTION:** Sen. Balderree moved to favorably recommend to the full Senate the appointment of Adam Gerlach as a member of the State Charter School Board. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 6

Sen. H. Balderree  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. C. Wilson

### 3. Review the Proposed Appointment of Brandon Johnson as a member of the State Charter School Board

Brandon Johnson introduced himself, discussed his background and qualifications, and responded to questions from the committee.

**MOTION:** Sen. Balderree moved to favorably recommend to the full Senate the appointment of Brandon Johnson as a member of the State Charter School Board. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 6

Sen. H. Balderree  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. C. Wilson

**4. Review the Proposed Appointment of Mickelle Bos as a member of the State Charter School Board**

Mickelle Bos introduced herself, discussed her background and qualifications, and responded to questions from the committee.

**MOTION:** Sen. Balderree moved to favorably recommend to the full Senate the appointment of Mickelle Bos as a member of the State Charter School Board. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. H. Balderree  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. C. Wilson

**5. Other Items/Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Sen. Balderree moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. H. Balderree  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. C. Wilson

Chair Millner adjourned the meeting at 11:44 a.m.