

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION
STANDING COMMITTEE**
Room 30, House Building
February 28, 2014

Members Present: Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair
Rep. Lowry Snow, Vice Chair
Rep. Rich Cunningham
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. Greg H. Hughes
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

Members Absent: Rep. Patrice Arent
Rep. Bradley G. Last
Rep. Keven Stratton

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.

Chair Gibson called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2014 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason, Rep. McCay, Rep. Moss, and Rep. Powell absent for the vote.

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

Rep. Peterson explained the bill, assisted by Stan Lockhart, Chairman, Prosperity 2020 STEM Education Initiative. Mr. Lockhart presented a video.

MOTION: Rep. Hughes moved to replace **H.B. 150** with **1st Sub. H.B. 150**. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason and Rep. McCay absent for the vote.

Spoke to the bill: Dr. Martell Menlove, State Superintendent

Spoke for the bill: Jackie deGaston, citizen
Jeff Nelson, Nelson Laboratories and Chairman, STEM Action Center
Jordan Beseiso, parent
Adam Beseiso, student
Alex Beseiso, student
Richard Nelson, Utah Technology Council, who passed out a handout, "2014 Hottest 50 STEM Jobs in Utah"
Tami Goetz, STEM Action Center
Craig Frank, Early College Alliance
Robert Brems, President, College of Applied Technology
Brett Nelson, STEM Action Center

MOTION: Rep. Cunningham moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason absent for the vote.

H.B. 307 Public Education Funding Task Force (Rep. J. Bird)

Rep. McCay, substituting for Rep. Bird, explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 3, Lines 60 through 65:

- 60 ~~{(b)}~~ imposing impact fees on new development to mitigate the cost of new
school
61 buildings;
62 ~~—(e)}~~ (b) equity for taxpayers throughout the state in paying for public
education;
63 ~~{(d)}~~ (c) alternatives for enhancing funding for public education;
64 ~~{(e)}~~ (d) indexing state funding for public education to the funding of other
states; and
65 ~~{(f)}~~ (e) linking funding to outcomes in public education.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Peterson absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to hold the bill. The motion failed with Rep. Lifferth, Rep. Moss, and Rep. Poulson voting for the motion. Rep. Peterson was absent for the vote.

Spoke for the bill: Patti Harrington, Utah School Boards Association and Utah
School Superintendents Association
 Chris Bleak, Utah Association of Public Charter Schools

MOTION: Rep. Cunningham moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Moss, Rep. Nielson, and Rep. Poulson voting against the motion. Rep. Peterson was absent for the vote.

H.B. 153 Study on Contribution and Credit for Education Funding (*Rep. K. Christofferson*)

Rep. Christofferson explained the bill, assisted by Dean Duncan, CPA.

MOTION: Rep. Eliason moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Peterson and Rep. Sanpei absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Eliason moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Peterson and Rep. Sanpei absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Gibson adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair

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