

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, January 16, 2017

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW41

MEMBERS: Chairman VanOrden, Vice Chairman McDonald, Representatives Shepherd, Boyle, Clow, Mendive (Mendive), Kerby, Cheatham, Amador, DeMordaunt, Moon, Syme, Kloc, McCrostie, Toone

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Vice Chairman McDonald, Representative(s) Mendive (Mendive)

GUESTS: Russell M. Gee, IEA; Peggy Hoy, IEA; Lori Steiniker, NEA, IEA; Layne McInelly, IEA; Shauna Wheelwright, IEA; Amy Biggs, IEA; Joel Williams, IEA; Bob Solomon, IEA; Allie Bigham, IEA; Clark Corbin, ED News; Penni Cyr, IEA; Sue Widgorski, IEA; Terry Ryan, Bluum; Marc Carignan, Bluum; Michelle Ball, Alturas; John Hedstrom, NAESA; Russ Simnich, NADCS; Anthony Wern, Bluum; Jason Bransford, Gem Prep/I-DEA

Chairman VanOrden called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.

Chairman VanOrden introduced **Matt Freeman**, Executive Director of the State Board of Education who was in attendance. She also introduced and turned the time over to **Terry Ryan** from Bluum for the presentation: "20 in 10" What Charter Schools Can Teach Us. Mr. Ryan reviewed the Committed Board of Directors, the Quality Instructional Leaders, the well developed facility plan, market demand and demonstrable needs, and Innovative Learning Models.

Mark Carignan, Bluum, reviewed the information regarding current partner schools and projected growth, academic performance in math and reading readiness, student diversity, dollars spent per student, effect of money spent on the educational programming offered to students, renovation cost per seat, and faculties funding vs cost.

Michelle Ball, Alturas, spoke on "project base learning" and the importance of involving the individual students in the teaching roll so that each student has a voice in the learning process.

Jason Bransford, I-DEA, spoke on the three charter schools that have been established: Gem Prep Nampa, Gem Prep Pocatello, and Gem Prep Whitepine and the outstanding success they have had with each in student growth and achievement.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:02 am.

Representative VanOrden
Chair

Ann Tippetts
Secretary