

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

- DATE:** Thursday, January 26, 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:** None
- GUESTS:** Mark Browning, CUI; Steve Rayborn, CTE; Kathleen Watkins, CTE; A. Hemmingway, STEM AC; Stephanie Lee, STEM AC; Finia Dinh, STEM AC; Helen Price, IASA; Erica Compton, STEM AC; Jeff Fox, CSI; Evin Fox, CSI; Henry Shafer-Coffey, House Minority
- Chairman VanOrden** called the meeting to order at 9:07 am.
- RS 24910:** **Rep. DeMordaunt** presented **RS 24910** relating to STEM designation for public schools, developing the requirements, and implementing an annual process for review of schools seeking a STEM designation.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Kerby** made a motion to introduce **RS 24910**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- Dwight Johnson**, State Administrator for Idaho Career & Technical Education(ICTE) gave his presentation. He explained that ICTE's role is to prepare Idaho's youth and adults for high-skill, in-demand careers. He agreed whole-heartedly with **Governor Otter's** statement in the 2017 State of the Union Address, "Meeting the employer demand for more skilled workers is among our most serious challenges, but we are facing it head on." There are six program areas as follows, Agriculture & Natural Resources, Family & Consumer Sciences, Health Sciences, Engineering & Technology, Business Management & Marketing, and Skilled & Technical Sciences. The value of ICTE is connecting students to real careers, providing a talent pipeline for Idaho's business, and making education meaningful through applied learning. He explained that they are enhancing program quality through alignment between high school and college to allow high school students the opportunity to earn relevant CTE college credit and move through school and into careers more efficiently. They have introduced "Skill Stack". This consists of industry certifications that the students earn as they master the skills and then present to their instructor. It is a measurement of the student's knowledge and improvement of their skills along the path of schooling. "Skill Stack" shows the industry employers a measurement of the student's capabilities in real time.
- Mr. Johnson** explained that Idaho is one of 37 recipients that will use a \$1.4 million grant from the U.S. Department of Labor to expand registered apprenticeships throughout the state in health care, information technology, advanced manufacturing and energy. **Governor Otter** has recommended that more monies are allocated toward increasing opportunities for Adult Basic Education for those adults with employment barriers to gain in-demand skills and obtain good jobs in high skill careers, and to continue to expand ICTE courses offered through online platform to reach out to the rural areas of our state. ICTE supports increasing teacher retention and recruitment through increased compensation, Adult Complete Scholarship to assist those with some college but no degree to get the skills they need to better compete in the job market, support of a new CTE building at Lewis-Clark State

College, Eastern Idaho Technical College becoming a Community College, and the Workforce Development Training Fund.

Dr. Rick Aman, President of Eastern Idaho Technical College explained they serve ten counties with student enrollment, workforce, and community education. In 2016 they delivered 118 AAS degrees, and 120 Technical Certificates. They support remedial education for students in adult basic education, adult secondary education, and English as a second language. With a total of 546 students, their largest demographic is Hispanic women representing 30.6% of students, followed by Hispanic men at 20.7%. The average age of students is 27 years old with graduation rates 42% within 2 years and 58% within 3 years. EITC's top ten majors are nurses, medical assistants, surgical technology, welding, computer networking, business, office technology, automotive, and web development. They have a positive placement rate with 95% of their graduates are placed in related occupation, and industry-based advisory committee for each program. Dr. Aman states that there is new CTE funding for faculty positions and improved infrastructure. They have good partnerships with education institutions, Dept. of Labor, Idaho National Labs, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Clubs, Museums, hospitals, and veterans organizations. Dr. Aman concluded that their vision of becoming the fourth community college will be voted upon in May of 2017.

MOTION: **Rep. Amadore** made a motion to approve the minutes of the Clow Subcommittee meeting of January 23, 2017. **Motion carried by voice vote**

MOTION: **Rep. Moon** made a motion to approve the minutes of the Kerby Subcommittee meeting of January 17, 2017 and January 19, 2017. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

MOTION: **Rep. Boyle** made a motion to approve the minutes of the McDonald Subcommittee meeting of January 17, 2017. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 am.

Representative VanOrden
Chair

Ann Tippetts
Secretary