

MINUTES  
**HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

- DATE:** Tuesday, January 29, 2019
- TIME:** 9:00 A.M.
- PLACE:** Room EW41
- MEMBERS:** Chairman Clow, Vice Chairman Kerby, Representatives Shepherd, Boyle, Mendive, DeMordaunt, Moon, Ehardt, Goesling, Marshall, Raymond, Wisniewski, McCrostie, Abernathy, Berch
- ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** None
- GUESTS:** Mike Keckler, SBOE; Tim Hill, Julie Oberle, Helen Price and Marilyn Whitney, SDE; Gideon Tolman, Division of Financial Management; Harold Ott, IRSA/IASA; Dwight Johnson, ICTE
- Chairman Clow** called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Goesling** made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2019 and January 25, 2019 meetings. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- RS 26503:** **Rep. McCrostie** presented **RS 26503**, proposed legislation to recognize March as Music in Our Schools Month. He is a public school music teacher and noted the many benefits to students of high-quality music education.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Ehardt** made a motion to introduce **RS 26503**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- Robyn Lockett**, Principal Analyst, Legislative Services Office, Budget and Policy Analysis Division, gave an overview of the state budget process. She stated the education budgets that will be approved this session will be for the FY20 appropriation and any FY19 supplemental requests. She also noted the Legislative Services Office (LSO) is nonpartisan and is for legislators.
- Ms. Lockett** reviewed the Public Schools Appropriation request for FY20. She noted roughly two-thirds of the budget is for statutory requirements. The appropriation request is from the superintendent/State Department of Education, while the governor submits his own proposed budget. The two budgets may differ, but the Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee (JFAC) considers both before setting a final budget to be voted on by the legislature. Ms. Lockett highlighted differences between the Agency Request and Governor's Recommendation in teacher pay, Literacy Proficiency and Mastery Based Education.
- Ms. Lockett** also addressed funding for the Idaho Youth Challenge Academy in the Orofino School District. The Academy appears to be an outlier in models of the proposed new funding formula and their funding mechanism needs to be explored further. **Chairman Clow** requested the State Department of Education provide more information to the Committee on the amount and distribution of average daily attendance (ADA) funds for the Academy.

**Ms. Lockett** concluded by giving the Committee an overview of the Public Education Stabilization Fund.

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

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Representative Clow  
Chair

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Erica McGinnis  
Secretary