

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, February 02, 2023

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW41

MEMBERS: Chairman Yamamoto, Vice Chairman McCann, Representatives Boyle, Clow, Mendive, Ehardt, Wisniewski, Garner, Hawkins, Hill, Lanting, Nelsen, Price, Sauter, Berch, Galaviz, Mathias (Woodings)

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Rep. Mathias

GUESTS: The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

Chair Yamamoto called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

MOTION: **Rep. Sauter** made a motion to approve the minutes of January 26 and January 30, 2023. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Rakesh Mohan, Director, Office of Performance Evaluation, spoke about the process to request an evaluation from OPE.

Casey Petti, Senior Evaluator, Office of Performance Evaluations, spoke about K-12 public school building conditions, maintenance allocations, and neighboring state comparisons. He spoke about a ten year maintenance plan and policy considerations. He spoke about Charter School conditions and concerns.

Greg Wilson, Chief of Staff, State Department of Education, said SDE is dedicated to students, parents, and meeting the needs of families. He spoke about advanced opportunity programs, education spending and education freedom.

Michelle Clement Taylor, School Choice Coordinator, State Department of Education, spoke about school choice options. She said public school options are neighborhood schools, alternative, charter, magnet and online. She said non-public school options are home school and private schools. She spoke about benefits of dual enrollment and support provided by SDE to parents, families and communities.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:46 am.

Representative Yamamoto
Chair

Amy Bengtzen
Secretary