

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, February 17, 2026

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Lincoln Auditorium WW02

MEMBERS: Chairman Hawkins, Vice Chairman Handy, Representatives Mendive, Ehardt, Wisniewski, Garner, Nelsen, Sauter, Marmon, Pickett, Hostetler, Veile, Mathias, Galaviz

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

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.

Chairman Hawkins called the meeting to order at 9:03 am.

Jason Sevy, President, Idaho School Boards Association, spoke about service to students and communities. He discussed mental health support, early literacy and efficiency. He spoke about after school programs and community engagement.

State officers for Future Farmers of America (FFA) addressed the committee.

Matthew Waite, President, **Lizzie Mueller**, Vice President, **Emily Sorensen**, Secretary, **Gabe Kitamura**, Treasurer, **Anna Hernandez**, Reporter, and **Alie Misenheimer**, Sentinel, explained the role of FFA and Agricultural education, community service, leaving an impact, and growth in personal skills.

Chairman Hawkins put the committee at ease for one minute.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:31 am.

Representative Hawkins
Chair

Amy Bengtzen
Secretary