

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

- DATE:** Friday, February 24, 2017
- TIME:** 8:30 A.M.
- PLACE:** Room EW41
- MEMBERS:** Chairman VanOrden, Vice Chairman McDonald, Representatives Shepherd, Boyle, Clow, Mendive, Kerby, Cheatham, Amador, DeMordaunt, Moon, Syme, Kloc, McCrostie, Toone
- ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
- GUESTS:** Dr. Linda Clark, State Board of Ed; Corlyss Peterson, citizen; Eric Brown, IDHW; Kelle Johnson, IDHW; Sandi Frelly, IDHW; Rebecca Morgan, BSU; Selena Grace, ISU; Will Goodman, IETA; Megan Ronk, Idaho Commerce; Mark Browning, CWI; Harold Ott, IASA & IRSA; Marilyn Whitney, Governor's Office; Roger Brown, BSU; Tim Rosandick, TVCC-Caldwell; Jon Schneider, BSU; Clark Corbin, Idaho Ed News; Kent Kunz, ISU; Jayson Ronk, Micron
- Chairman VanOrden** called the meeting to order at 8:35 am.
- Rep. McCrostie** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 16 and February 17, 2017 meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- DOCKET NO.
08-0201-1602:** **Tracie Bent**, State Board of Education, presented **Docket No. 08-0201-1602** pertaining to continuous improvement plans in reading readiness and literacy requirements.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Toone** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 08-0201-1602** with the exception of **Section 5, paragraphs a and b, Section 6, paragraph a, romanettes i, ii, iii, iv, paragraph c, romanettes i, iii.** **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- H 106:** **Blake Youde**, State Board of Education, presented **H 106** relating to accredited residential and non-accredited schools being under the jurisdiction of the Department of Health and Welfare to ensure the residential schools are safe and appropriate for the students. He explained that there would be no financial impact on the State.
- MOTION:** **Rep. McDonald** made a motion to send **H 106** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. McDonald** will sponsor the bill on the floor.
- H 186:** **Rep. Malek** presented **H 186** relating to authorization to provide technical and other assistance for all connectivity to and between Idaho's school districts.
- Will Goodman**, Idaho Technology Board, explained the need for all classrooms to be connected with broadband for wifi.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Amador** made a motion to send **H 186** to General Orders. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

H 190: **Marilyn Whitney**, Governor's Office, presented **H 190** relating to Adult Postsecondary Completion Scholarship to help Idaho residents return to school and complete their academic studies. She explained 28% of adults over the age of 25 have some college but no degree. These adults are the critical workforce in Idaho and will drive the economy for the next 40 years. The two barriers for them to return to school is financial and balancing work, family and school. **H 190** is a tool to alleviate the financial burden and lure college dropouts back to school, and bring about a great future for Idaho.

Blake Youde, State Board of Education, explained Adult Completion Scholarship participants must meet the state residency requirement, they need to have been out of college for three years, they must be working toward a specific degree, and be making satisfactory progress. The scholarship is for four years. The scholarship will have a veteran preference.

Linda Clark, Vice President of State Board of Education, stated the Board of Education is partnering with the Governor's Office for the Adult Scholarship to help change people's lives not only for the individual but their families. Children from homes with parents who have their college degrees are far more likely to go to college and earn a degree.

Those speaking **in support** of **H 190** were **Selena Grace**; ISU, **Megan Ronk**, Idaho Chamber of Commerce; **Mark Browning**, CWI; **Tim Rosendick**, TVCC-Caldwell; **Kent Kunz**, ISU; **Holice Brookover**; **Jason Ronk**, Micron. They were of the opinion that the Adult Postsecondary Completion Scholarship will be of direct benefit to the student, their families, the citizens of Idaho, and Idaho's economy.

MOTION: **Rep. Kloc** made a motion to send **H 190** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: **Rep. Boyle** made a substitute motion to send **H 190** to General Orders.

MOTION WITHDRAWN: **Rep. Kloc** withdrew his motion to send **H 190** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation.

VOTE ON SUBSTITUTE MOTION: **Motion carried by voice vote.**

S 1019: **Blake Youde** presented **S 1019** relating to school safety patrols appointed from the student body for directing traffic at school crossings and makes it unlawful for drivers to disregard their direction.

MOTION: **Rep. Kerby** made a motion to send **S 1019** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Rep. Kerby** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.

Representative VanOrden
Chair

Ann Tippetts
Secretary