

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, April 26, 2021

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW41

MEMBERS: Chairman Clow, Vice Chairman Kerby, Representatives Boyle, Mendive, DeMordaunt, Moon, Ehardt, Marshall, Wisniewski, Galloway, Shepherd, Yamamoto, McCrostie, Berch, Toone

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Reps. McCrostie, Boyle and DeMordaunt

GUESTS: Marilyn Whitney, Deputy Superintendent, Communications and Policy, State Department of Education (SDE); Sharon Cates, Science Coordinator, SDE; Dr. Cathy Beals, Mathematics Coordinator, SDE; Alayna Knop, ELA Coordinator, SDE

Chairman Clow called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Chairman Clow introduced a proposed letter from the Committee to the Governor, State Board of Education and State Superintendent regarding conclusions of the standards review work performed by the subcommittees for Math, Science and English Language Arts (ELA).

In answer to committee questions, **Marilyn Whitney**, SDE, stated the negotiated rule-making process is planned to begin in two weeks.

Rep. DeMordaunt and **Rep. Marshall** discussed the ELA subcommittee comments.

Rep. Wisniewski discussed the subcommittee comments regarding science standards.

Rep. Ehardt stated well-rounded knowledge is necessary regardless of future employers. **Rep. Yamamoto** agreed that occupational goals shift too frequently and that all students should have a well-rounded education.

Vice Chairman Kerby discussed the subcommittee math standard comments and the creation of the new model. **Rep. Moon** stated the new standards should be implemented as soon as possible.

Chairman Clow thanked the Committee for their input, stating he will continue to refine the draft with **Senator Thayn** prior to signing.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Representative Clow
Chair

Christine Reynolds
Secretary