

MINUTES
SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, January 30, 2024

TIME: 3:00 P.M.

PLACE: Room WW55

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Lent, Vice Chairman Toews, Senators Den Hartog, Nichols, Carlson, Herndon, Lenney, Ward-Engelking, and Semmelroth

ABSENT/ EXCUSED: None

NOTE: The sign-in sheet, testimonies, and other related materials will be retained with the minutes in the committee's office until the end of the session and will then be located on file with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.

CONVENED: **Chairman Lent** called the meeting of the Senate Education Committee (Committee) to order at 3:00 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Senator Herndon** moved to approve the Minutes of January 15, 2024. **Vice Chairman Toews** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Senator Carlson** moved to approve the Minutes of January 16, 2024. **Senator Nichols** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Vice Chairman Toews** moved to approve the Minutes of January 17, 2024. **Senator Lenney** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Senator Semmelroth** moved to approve the Minutes of January 18, 2024. **Senator Lenney** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Senator Ward-Engelking** moved to approve the Minutes of January 22, 2024. **Senator Den Hartog** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Senator Nichols** moved to approve the Minutes of January 24, 2024. **Senator Herndon** seconded the motion. The motion carried by **voice vote**.

PRESENTATION: **Overview of Idaho Association of Colleges of Teacher Education (IACTE) Collaboration.** **Dr. Kevin M. Talbert**, President, IACTE, and Chair, Education Department, College of Idaho, shared that IACTE was an association representing all colleges and universities in Idaho which offered teacher education programs (Attachment). He explained that the function of IACTE was to prepare teachers and school administrators to educate Idaho students. He added that Idaho institutions focused on collaboration with each other recognizing that they shared the same mission to grow and improve the profession of education in the State for the benefit of its students.

DISCUSSION: **Chairman Lent** invited other members of IACTE to introduce themselves. They fielded questions regarding standards of teacher preparation, the challenges of technology and social media, student behavior, and the use of generative artificial intelligence (AI) in the classroom.

ADJOURNED: There being no further business at this time, **Chairman Lent** adjourned the meeting at 3:36 p.m.

Senator Lent
Chair

Lisa Stein
Secretary