Representative Lisa Posthumus Lyons, Chair, called the meeting to order.


Representative Jacobsen moved to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2013 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4465 and HB 4466 before the committee.

**HB 4465 (McBroom)**  
Education; graduation requirements; Michigan merit curriculum; revise.

**HB 4466 (Johnson)**  
Education; graduation requirements; personal curriculum requirements; modify, and include agricultural science as science credit in Michigan merit curriculum.

Rebecca Park, representing Michigan Farm Bureau, testified in support of HB 4465 and HB 4466.

Chris Fisher, representing Associated Builders and Contractors, testified in support of HB 4465 and HB 4466.

Mike Foster, retired superintendent, testified in support of HB 4465 and HB 4466.

Lindsay Case and Greg Handle, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, testified in opposition to HB 4465.

Bob Kefgen, representing the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals, testified in opposition to HB 4465 and HB 4466.

Justin Jennings, representing Holland High School, testified in opposition to HB 4465 and HB 4466.

Don Wotruba, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards, testified in support of HB 4465 and HB 4466.
The committee went at ease at 12:00 p.m.

The committee reconvened at 2:40 p.m.

The Chair laid HB 4471 before the committee.

**HB 4471 (Potvin)** Education; calendar; exception to minimum days of pupil instruction requirement for inclement weather days; allow for 2012-2013 if minimum hours requirement is met.

Representatives Potvin and McMaster testified in support of HB 4471.

Jay Kulbertis, representing Gladstone and Rapid Ridge Schools, testified in support of HB 4471.

The following people submitted testimony cards in support of HB 4471, but did not wish to speak:

Don Olendorf, representing the ESA Legislative Group,
Debbie Squires, representing the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association,
Lisa Hansknecht, representing Oakland Schools,
Emily Laidlaw, representing the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators,
Ellen Hoekstra, representing the American Federation of Teachers of Michigan.

Representative Franz moved to report out HB 4471 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 16-0-0.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas:** Representatives Lyons, Franz, Crawford, Daley, Genetski, Lund, McMillin, Hooker, Jacobsen, Price, Yonker, Lipton, Knezek, Brinks, Lamonte, and Abed,

**Nays:** None,

**Pass:** None.

**HB 4471 reported out with recommendation.**

The Chair returned to the consideration of HB 4465 and HB 4466.


Representative Nesbitt introduced Scott Starkweather, Cindy Kent, and Robert Smith, representing the Van Buren Intermediate School District, who testified in support of the bills.

Steve Norton, representing Michigan Parents for Schools, testified with a neutral position on the bills.
The following people submitted testimony cards in support of HB 4465 and HB 4466, but did not wish to speak:

Becky Rocho, representing Calhoun Intermediate School District,
Brad Biladeau and Emily Laidlaw, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators and the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators.

The following people submitted testimony cards in opposition to HB 4465 and HB 4466, but did not wish to speak:

Beth DeShone, representing the Great Lakes Education Project,
Alicia Urban, representing the Michigan Association of Public School Academies,
Roger Jackson, representing the Michigan Association for Health and Physical Education,
Judy Stewart, representing the American Cancer Society,
Lisa Hansknecht, representing Oakland Schools.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 4:10 p.m.

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Representative Lisa Posthumus Lyons, Chair    Ben Cook
Committee Clerk
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April 17, 2013
3 hours

* indicates written materials attached to report out file.