



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON SCHOOL AID AND EDUCATION**  
REP. REGINA WEISS  
CHAIR

**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, April 10, 5:30 Mumford High School 17525 Wyoming Avenue Detroit,  
2023 PM MI 48221

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on School Aid and Education was called to order by Chair Weiss.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Weiss, Morgan, Koleszar, Price, Skaggs, Wilson, DeBoer, Beson.

Absent: Reps. Steckloff, Green, Meerman.

Excused: Reps. Steckloff, Green, Meerman.

Representatives Skaggs, DeBoer and Beson joined the committee remotely.

Representative Morgan moved to adopt the meeting minutes from March 23, 2023. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Luis Solano, representing Detroit Public Schools Community District, welcomed the subcommittee to Mumford High School.

Deyna People, representing Teach for America, gave testimony on the needs of teachers and schools. Questions and discussion followed.

Kathi Marin, Marcus Walton, Jason Posey, and Robin Jennings, representing the American Federation of Teachers, gave testimony on the needs of teachers and schools. Questions and discussion followed.

Chris Spencer, Brian Peck, and Jerry Lawrence, representing Teach for America, gave testimony on the needs of teachers and schools. Questions and discussion followed.

Shantineth Lowe, Hezekiah Smith, Perriel Pace, and Kaylee Walker, students with 482 Forward, gave testimony on their needs as students. Questions and discussion followed.

Arlyssa Heard, Deputy Director of 482 Forward, gave testimony on the needs of teachers and schools. Questions and discussion followed.

Dr. Tim Wood, former Associate Vice President for Charter Schools at Grand Valley State

University, gave testimony on the needs of teachers and schools. Questions and discussion followed.

Chisteen Christiansen, parent, gave testimony on cyber school funding. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Koleszar moved to excuse Representatives Steckloff, Green and Meerman from the meeting. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, Chair Weiss adjourned the meeting at 7:30 PM.

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Representative Regina Weiss, Chair

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