

House Committee on Education

Minutes of Meeting
2024 - 2025 Interim
October 17, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Laurie Schlegel, chair of the House Committee on Education, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. in Room 1, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Laurie Schlegel, chair
Representative Beryl A. Amedée, vice chair
Representative Kendrick "Ken" Brass
Representative Josh Carlson
Representative Kim Carver
Representative Kathy Edmonston
Representative Barbara Reich Freiberg
Representative Michael Melerine
Representative Charles Anthony Owen
Representative Vincent "Vinney" J. St. Blanc, III
Representative Sylvia Elaine Taylor
Representative Rashid Armand Young

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Barbara W. Carpenter
Representative Phillip Eric Tarver

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Elizabeth L. Borne, legislative analyst
Lisa Lovello, legislative analyst
Alexandra Cravins, committee administrative assistant
Natayveon Howard-Williams, committee assistant

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms

III. BUSINESS

To receive an update from the Board of Regents, the Louisiana State University System, the Southern University System, the University of Louisiana System, and the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, including but not limited to the implementation of laws pertaining to higher education passed during the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, and related matters

Misti Cordell, Louisiana Board of Regents, 1201 North Third Street, Suite 600, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only and provided an information packet, "Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance", labeled Exhibit A, which is included in the committee records.

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed, Board of Regents, 1201 North Third Street, Suite 600, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only.

Dr. Sujuan Boutte, Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance, 602 North Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only.

Shanna Esty, Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance, no address provided, spoke for information only.

Monty Sullivan, Louisiana Community and Technical College System, 265 South Foster Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, spoke for information only.

Tim Hardy, Louisiana Community and Technical College System, no address provided, spoke for information only.

Dennis Shields, Southern University System, P.O. Box 9494, Baton Rouge, LA 70813, spoke for information only.

Dr. Rick Gallot, University of Louisiana System, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only and presented a PowerPoint, "University of Louisiana System Update", labeled Exhibit B, which is included in the committee records.

Kimberly Lewis, Louisiana State University, 3810 West Lakeshore Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, spoke for information only.

Daniel Barrow, Louisiana State University, no address provided, spoke for information only.

Jill Hines, Health Freedom Louisiana, 3301 Seventeenth Street, 7443, Metairie, LA 70010, spoke for information only.

Witness cards submitted by those who did not speak are as follows: 3 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Carlson offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Schlegel, Amedée, Carlson, Carver, Edmonston, Freiberg, Melerine, Owen, St. Blanc, Taylor, and Young voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair Laurie Schlegel
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Date adopted: