



Student Attendance and Truancy Legislative Study Group

Monday, December 16, 2024
2:30 PM
Room G-3, State Capitol
<https://www.lcc.mn.gov/satlsg/>

Members Present:

Representative Heather Keeler, Chair
Representative Ben Bakeberg
Representative Bryan Lawrence
Representative Bianca Virnig

Senator Mary Kunesch, Vice Chair
Senator Steve Cwodzinski
Senator Robert Farnsworth
Senator Michael Kreun

Meeting Minutes

Rep. Keeler called the meeting of the Student Attendance and Truancy Legislative Study Group to order at 2:31 PM. A quorum was present.

Approval of October 21, 2024, Minutes

Rep. Lawrence moved to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2024, meeting of the Student Attendance and Truancy Legislative Study Group. A vote was taken. The motion prevailed and the minutes were approved.

Member Discussion on Final Recommendations

The Study Group discussed its preliminary recommendations and potential final recommendations.

Rep. Keeler moved to adopt the CP006 draft legislation as a recommendation in the final report. A vote was taken. The motion prevailed and the recommendation was adopted.

Rep. Bakeberg moved to adopt the proposed eight recommendations in the final report:

1. Explore Consistent Definitions around Attendance
2. Explore Coordination Among State and Local Agencies
3. Explore Community Engagement - Cultural/Lived Experience School Credit

4. MDE Recommendation – Explore Increased Data on Attendance
5. Explore Increased Data Sharing Between School Districts and County Governments
6. Explore School Staff Dedicated to Truancy Reduction
7. Explore Transportation of Students to and from School
8. Explore Community Support

A vote was taken. The motion prevailed and the recommendation was adopted.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:16 PM.