

STATE OF MINNESOTA
LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON CHILD PROTECTION
NINETY-THIRD SESSION

Representative Dave Pinto, Co-Chair of the Legislative Task Force on Child Protection, called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM on January 11, 2023, in Room 1100 of the Minnesota Senate Building.

Members Present:

PINTO, Dave (Co-Chair)
MITCHELL, Nicole (Co-Chair)
CHAMPION, Bobby Joe (Vice Co-Chair)
HASSAN, Hodan (Vice Co-Chair)
HANSON, Jessica
HOFFMAN, John
HOUSLEY, Karin
KNUDSEN, Krista
KREUN, Michael
MATTHEWS, Andrew
MUELLER, Patricia

Members Excused:

KRESHA, Ron

Sen. Mitchell moved that the minutes of December 4th, 2023, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Presentation titled "Perspectives on the Child Protection System".

Presenting:

- Misty Coonce, Ombudsperson for Office of Foster Youth
- Ariana Guerra, Policy & Advocacy Manager, Foster Advocates
- Ann Hill, Ombudsperson for African American Families
- Muriel Gubasta, J.D., Ombudsperson for Spanish Speaking Families
- Manuel B. Zuniga, Jr., MPP, Ombudsperson for Asian Pacific Families
- Patrice O'Leary, Associate Vice President of Family Services, Lutheran Social Services
- Jill Kehaulani Esch, Ombudsperson for American Indian Families
- Joanne Hodgeman, MA, MSW, LSW, Family Liaison, Village Arms
- Thomas Berry, Family Liaison, Village Arms
- Haile Tegene, Executive Director, East African Empowerment Center

Presentation titled "State Models for Child Welfare System Operations and Financing: Research & Practice".

Presenting:

- Dr. Traci LaLiberte, Executive Director, Center for Advanced Studies in Child Welfare, School of Social Work, University of Minnesota
- Don Winstead, Consultant, Casey Family Programs

Presentation titled "Consideration of Statewide Maltreatment Reporting System".

Presenting:

- Dr. Traci LaLiberte, Executive Director, Center for Advanced Studies in Child Welfare, School of Social Work, University of Minnesota

Presentation titled "Improving Training of Mandated Reporters".

Presenting:

- David Kirchner, Evaluation Coordinator, Office of the Legislative Auditor

The meeting adjourned at 3:44pm.