

DISTRICT 58 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
Minutes of January 10, 2024

The Legislative Committee met on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, at 3:45 p.m. at O’Neill Middle School.

Call to Order

Emily Hanus called the meeting to order at 3:51 p.m.

Present

Emily Hanus, Melissa Ellis, Faith Behr, Phil Bolton, Sarah Borgetti Ebenezer, Samantha Figueroa, Melissa Jerves, Kelly Novotny, Bruce Swanson

Absent

Chuck Brewster, Melissa Ellis, Kathy Catalani, Zac Craft, Emily Hanlon, Allison Hannam, Jacqueline Jourjy, Jason Suchy, Zabrina Tumaitis Namba, Kevin Russell, Catherine Thacker Shiliga

Approval of Minutes

Bruce Swanson moved to approve the minutes of December 20, 2023 and Samantha Figueroa seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Legislative Breakfast

The committee reviewed the draft questions and discussed possible changes and additions. Topics include unfunded mandates, mental health, SEL, ESSER funds, learning loss, use of schools as polling places, 24-hour bullying notification law, and staff shortages. A final draft will be shared with the committee; there will not likely be a need for an extra meeting on January 31.

The committee also discussed some final points about logistics, deciding to have moderators remain with their groups while legislators rotate. It was also suggested that pastry platters be put on small group tables rather than remain on buffet table.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

Melissa Ellis moved and Samantha Figueroa seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:49 p.m.