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## EDUCATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 23, 2022  
Roughrider Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 10:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of the [minutes of the December 13, 2021, meeting](#)  
Comments by the Chairman

### COMPETENCY-BASED LEARNING AND INNOVATIVE EDUCATION STUDY

- 10:05 a.m. [Presentation](#) by Mr. Luke Schaefer, Executive Director, Central Regional Education Association, of an overview of full-service community schools, partnerships, and the benefits and challenges of the full-service community schools model
- 10:35 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Heather Simonich, Operations Director, Nexus Family Healing, regarding services provided to schools and participation in full-service community schools, including the benefits and challenges of participation
- 11:05 a.m. [Presentation](#) by Ms. Liz Tofteland, eNurse, Central Regional Education Association, and Ms. Sheila Freed, eSchool Health Director, Avel eCare, regarding services provided to schools and participation in full-service community schools, including the benefits and challenges of participation
- 11:25 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Jolene Garty, Director of Student Services, South East Education Cooperative, regarding services provided to schools and participation in full-service community schools, including the benefits and challenges of participation
- 11:40 a.m. Committee discussion
- 12:00 noon Recess

### COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE STUDY

- 1:00 p.m. [Presentation](#) by Ms. Kirsten Baesler, Superintendent of Public Instruction; Mr. David Steckler, Principal, Red Trail Elementary School; Mr. Jared Blikre, High School Principal, Rugby Public School District; and Mr. Jerry Standifer, Principal, Harwood Elementary School, of an update on the compulsory school attendance study

### REPORT

- 1:15 p.m. [Presentation](#) by Mr. Stan Schauer, Director of Assessment, Department of Public Instruction, of a required report regarding the compilation of test scores of a test aligned to the state content standards in reading and mathematics

### ALTERNATIVE TEACHER LICENSURE STUDY

- 2:00 p.m. [Presentation](#) by Mr. Nick Archuleta, President, North Dakota United, and Mr. Dean Mitchell, Consultant, DFM Research, regarding survey results and data on teacher retention in relation to the committee's study of alternative teacher licensure
- 2:30 p.m. [Presentation](#) by Dr. Becky Pitkin, Executive Director, and Ms. Mari Riehl, Assistant Director, Education Standards and Practices Board, regarding alternative teacher licensure programs and recruitment and retention of teachers in the state

3:00 p.m. Presentation by Dr. Penny Schwinn, Education Commissioner, Tennessee, of an overview of the Tennessee teacher residency program, including how the program is addressing the issue of teacher shortages

**COMMITTEE WORK**

3:45 p.m. Comments by interested persons, committee discussion, and staff directives regarding the committee's studies

4:00 p.m. Adjourn

**A livestream of the meeting will be available to the public at: <https://video.legis.nd.gov>.**

**Committee Members**

Senators: Erin Oban (Chairman), David A. Clemens, Cole Conley, Jay R. Elkin, Doug Larsen, Diane Larson, Richard Marcellais, Michael A. Wobbema

Representatives: LaurieBeth Hager, Patrick Hatlestad, Pat D. Heinert, Jeff A. Hoverson, Donald Longmuir, Andrew Marschall, David Monson, David Richter, Cynthia Schreiber-Beck

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