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MINUTES

The Senate Committee on Education held a meeting on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. in the Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower.

Senator Pavlov called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Pavlov (C), Emmons, Colbeck, Hopgood, and Young

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Pavlov announced the order of business for the Education Committee:

- Adoption of January 25, 2012 minutes
- HB 4496 Rep. Walsh Higher education; community colleges; granting of baccalaureate degrees in certain fields; allow.

Senator Colbeck made a motion to adopt the minutes of the January 25, 2012 committee meeting; being no objection, the motion prevailed.

Senator Pavlov announced the next order of business was House Bill 4496

The following individuals offered testimony in opposition to House Bill 4496:

- Sue Idczak, PhD, RN, CNE, Director of Nursing, Siena Heights University
- Stephanie Waters, Student, Siena Heights University
- Mike Boulus, Presidents Council, State Universities of Michigan

Representative Walsh, the sponsor of the measure, gave additional testimony on the bill.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of the bill:

- Conway A. Jeffress, Schoolcraft College
- Joan Gebhardt, Trustee, Schoolcraft College
- Robb Kennedy, Kirtland Community College
- Dr. Daniel Phelan, Jackson Community College
- Dr. Timothy Meyer, Chancellor, Oakland Community College
- Mary Kay Thayer, Chair, MI Community College Association
- Dr. Fred Mathews, Southwestern Michigan College
- Dr. Kevin Pollock, President, St. Clair County Community College
- Gary Dauw
- Timothy Nelson, Northwestern MI College
- Gerard Acherbach, RADM, USMS
- Martin Grindley
- Joseph J. Berte III, Lt. Col, USAF Ret.

Being no further business before the committee, Senator Pavlov adjourned the meeting without objection at 1:30p.m.

Date Approved: March 14, 2012

An audio recording of this committee meeting is available upon request for a minimal fee.