

Seclusion Working Group

October 8th, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Kate Hulse

Senator Seeberger, Chair Kim Baker

Representative Sencer-Mura

Senator Coleman

Nicole Woodward Members Excused:

Dave Haveman Representative Engen

Fatima Molas Heather Halstead

Melissa Winship Jamie Harthan

Sue Abderholden

Jessica Heiser

Erin Sandsmark

1. Call to Order

Senator Seeberger convened the Working Group at 2:07 PM. A quorum was present.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Dave Haveman moved approval of the previous meeting minutes. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

3. Presentation from Minneapolis Public Schools

Dr. Liz Keenan, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education at Minneapolis Public Schools, presented on the district's use of restrictive procedures.

4. Testimony

Molly Hoffard, Kristin Jameson, Ryan Haenze, Amelia Barrons, Sarah Lopusnik, and Barbara Finnegan testified on their experiences with the use of seclusion as staff and family of students.

5. Working Group Discussion

The Working Group discussed the presentations and testimony received at the meeting.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Working Group adjourned at 3:42 PM