

LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE
MINUTES

Senator Wiklund, Co-Chair of the Legislative Task Force on Child Care, called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. on Tuesday, August 30, 2016, at the Minnesota Senate Building, Room 1200, in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Legislative Assistant Nathan Coulter noted the roll.

Select Committee Members present:

WIKLUND, Melissa, Co-Chair
FRANSON, Mary, Co-Chair
JOHNSON, Alice
SENJEM, David
PERSELL, John

Select Committee Members excused: Representative Tony Albright, Representative Peggy Flanagan, Senator Carla Nelson.

Ann McCully, Child Care Aware of Minnesota, spoke about the current state of child care in Minnesota, and how it compares to the rest of the country.

Jerry Kerber, Inspector General, Minnesota Department of Human Services, spoke about the Department's work within the child care industry and answered questions of the task force and the public.

Jim Koppel, Assistant Commissioner, Children and Family Services, Minnesota Department of Human Services, spoke about the Department's work within the child care industry and answered questions of the task force and the public.

Senator Wiklund opened the meeting to public testimony.

Desiree Rotter, Child Care Provider;
Heidi Hagel Braid, First Children's Finance;
Cyndi Cunningham, Child Care Provider;
Clare Sanford, Minnesota Child Care Association;
Hollie Saville, Minnesota Association of Child Care Professionals.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Senator Melissa Wiklund, Co-Chair

Nathan Coulter, Legislative Assistant