

**LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON ACCESS TO
AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE**

STATE OF MINNESOTA
SECOND MEETING: SEPTEMBER 21, 2016

MINUTES

Representative Franson, Co-Chair of the Legislative Task Force on Access to Affordable Child Care, called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. on Wednesday, September 21, 2016, at the Minnesota Senate Building, Room 1200, in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Legislative Assistant David Larson noted the roll.

Task Force Members present:

FRANSON, Mary, Co-Chair
WIKLUND, Melissa, Co-Chair
JOHNSON, Alice
SENJEM, David
ALBRIGHT, Tony
FLANAGAN, Peggy
PERSELL, John

Task Force Members excused: Senator Carla Nelson

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

Warren Chaffee, Dakota County Social Service Supervisor, Susan Erickson, Dakota County Social Worker, and Jolene Swan, Dakota County Social Worker, spoke about the roles of counties in family child care licensing.

Representative Franson opened the meeting to public testimony.

Julie Seydel, Minnesota Association of Child Care Professionals (MACCP), Anoka County;
Arianne Bromberg, Family Child Care Inc. (FCCI), Olmsted County;
Jen Bestgen, Family Child Care provider, Olmsted County;
Chad Dunkley, CEO, New Horizon Academy and Kinderberry Hill, President, Minnesota Child Care Association;
Danette Allrich-Osano, Licensed Child Care Provider, Ramsey County;
Kelly Martini, Child Care Provider, Avon;
Clarissa Johnston, Rainbow Kids Child Care, Mounds View;
Lisa Thompson, Thompson Family Child Care, St. Paul, President, CCPT - AFSCME Local 3400; and
Stacy Boysen, TBC Family Child Care.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Representative Mary Franson, Co-Chair

David Larson, Legislative Assistant