



West Virginia House of Delegates

Subcommittee on Educational Choice

Minutes for February 03, 2026, 1:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Subcommittee on Educational Choice met on February 03, 2026, 1:00 PM, in the House Education Committee Room 432-M.

Members present: Delegates Crouse, Hornby, Kimble, Pritt, Pushkin, Statler, Stephens, White.

Members absent: Delegates Chiarelli, Shamblin.

A silent roll call being taken, the presence of a quorum was established.

On motion of Delegate Hornby, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

First on the agenda was markup and discussion for **H.B. 4817**, relating to modifying the Charter Schools Startup Fund. Chair Crouse recognized Aaron Kidd, Counsel, to explain the bill. With there being no amendments, Vice Chair Hornby moved that the bill be reported to the standing committee on Education. The motion was carried with a division vote of 5-3.

Next on the agenda was committee hearing for **H.B. 4950**. Chair Crouse recognized Vice-Chairman Hornby to explain the bill. Following his presentation, Chair Crouse opened the meeting for questions from members. Chair Crouse recognized Dale Lee, Co-President, Education WV, to speak on the bill. Chair Crouse also recognized Howard O'Cull, Executive Director, WVSBA, to speak on the bill.

Next on the agenda was committee hearing for **H.B. 4062**. Chair Crouse turned over Chair to Delegate Stephens, who recognized Delegate Crouse to present the bill. Following her presentation, Delegate Stephens opened the meeting up for questions from members. Chair Crouse recognized Jaclyn Swayne, Assistant Executive Director, WVSSAC, to speak on the bill. Chair Crouse recognized Tony Erwin, Executive Director, Ignite Athletics, to speak on the bill. Chair Crouse recognized Dale Lee to speak on the bill.

Due to time constraints, Committee Hearing for **H.B. 4065**, relating to membership of the Hope Scholarship Board, was postponed until the next meeting.

On Motion of Delegate Stephens the committee adjourned.

Kathie Crouse

Committee Chair

Sydney Womack

Subcommittee Clerk