

**OHIO SENATE**  
**Committee on Education Minutes**  
**September 16, 2020**  
**133rd General Assembly**

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The Senate Committee on Education was called to order pursuant to the meeting notice at approximately 1:04pm in the South Hearing Room of the Statehouse.

The roll was taken and a quorum was present. The minutes of the previous meeting was approved without additions, corrections, or objections.

Chairwoman Lehner called up HB 436 for its first hearing.

Chairwoman Lehner called upon Representative Baldrige for his sponsor testimony on the bill. Representative Baldrige answered questions from the Committee.

Chairwoman Lehner called on Mindy Patrick, self for her proponent testimony. Ms. Patrick answered questions from the Committee.

Chairwoman Lehner called on Mary Lou Hittle, Reading Matters Westerville for her proponent testimony. Ms. Hittle answered questions from the Committee.

Chairman Lehner brought the Committee's attention to written proponent testimony from Brittney Donley, self.

Chairwoman Lehner called up SB 358 for its second hearing.

Chairwoman Lehner called on Jim Cook of St. Clairsville-Richland City School District for interested party testimony. Mr. Cook answered questions from the Committee.

Chairwoman Lehner called on Chad Aldis of the Thomas B. Fordham Institute for interested party testimony. Mr. Aldis answered questions from the Committee.

Chairwoman Lehner called on Lisa Gray with Ohio Excels for opponent testimony. Ms. Gray answered questions from the Committee.

Chairwoman Lehner called on Rose Babington of ACT for opponent testimony. Ms. Babington answered questions from the Committee.

Chairwoman Lehner called on Kevin Bacon with School Choice Ohio for interested party testimony. Mr. Bacon answered questions from the Committee.

Chairwoman Lehner brought the Committee's attention to written interested party testimony from Benjamin Williams with College Board.

Chairwoman Lehner called up SB 350 for its second hearing.

Chairwoman Lehner called on James Ragland with School Choice Ohio for proponent testimony. Mr. Ragland answered questions from the Committee.

Chairwoman Lehner called on Larry Keough of the Catholic Conference of Ohio for proponent testimony. Mr. Keough answered questions from the Committee.

Chairwoman Lehner called on Loren Johnson with Cincinnati Public Schools for opponent testimony. Mr. Johnson answered questions from the Committee.

Chairwoman Lehner brought the Committee's attention to written interested party testimony from Elizabeth Patton, self, written proponent testimony from Jennifer Schorr of Buckeye Community Hope Foundation, and written interested party testimony from Christina Steele, self and Joann Anderson, self.

With no further business to come before the committee, Chairwoman Lehner adjourned the committee at approximately 3:36pm

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Peggy Lehner, Chair