

## MINUTES

### SENATE HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 27, 2013

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Higher Education Committee was held on Wednesday, February 27, 2013, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Kel Seliger, Chair  
Senator Kirk Watson, Vice Chair  
Senator Brian Birdwell  
Senator Royce West  
Senator Judith Zaffirini

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Robert Duncan  
Senator Dan Patrick

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator West moved adoption of the committee rules. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair made opening remarks.

The Chair introduced the following Higher Education staff; Mark Kavanaugh, Committee Director; Sarah Willcox, Committee Clerk; Sean Opperman and Trevin Franklin, Policy Analysts; and Anthony LeClair, Policy Intern.

The Chair then invited committee members to introduce their respective Higher Education staff. Accordingly, Senator Zaffirini introduced Tracy Ballysingh, Senator West, Susie Strzelec; Senator Watson, Susan Nold; and Senator Birdwell, Spencer Harris.

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There being no further business, at 9:05 AM Senator Seliger moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the Chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Kel Seliger, Chair

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Sarah Willcox, Clerk