

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES
Monday, March 31, 2014

MINUTE NO. 27
7:00 p.m. – Legislative Chamber

1. **Present:** Delbert Kirsch in the Chair and Members Greg Lawrence, Warren McCall*, Scott Moe*, Kevin Phillips*, Laura Ross and Nadine Wilson.

Substituting Members

Warren McCall for David Forbes

Scott Moe for Paul Merriman

Kevin Phillips for Mark Docherty

2. The Chair advised the committee that, pursuant to Rule 148(1), the Estimates for the following ministries were deemed referred to the committee on March 27, 2014:

Vote 37, 169	Advanced Education
Vote 5	Education
Vote 32	Health
Vote 20	Labour Relations and Workplace Safety
Vote 36	Social Services

3. The committee considered Bill No. 101 – The University of Saskatchewan Amendment Act, 2013.

The following Advanced Education Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Rob Norris, Minister

Louise Greenberg, Deputy Minister

Reg Urbanowski, Special Advisor to the Deputy Minister

Lindell Veitch, Acting Executive Director, Planning, Strategy and Evaluation

Brent Brownlee, Director, Universities and Private Vocational Schools

Alicia McGregor, Senior Analyst, Strategic, Intergovernmental and Legislative Priorities

4. The questions being put on Clauses 1 to 10, they were agreed to.
5. It was moved by Ms. Wilson:

That the committee report Bill No. 101 – The University of Saskatchewan Amendment Act, 2013
– without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

6. The committee considered Bill No. 118 – The Saskatchewan Polytechnic Act.

The following Advanced Education Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Rob Norris, Minister

Louise Greenberg, Deputy Minister

Reg Urbanowski, Special Advisor to the Deputy Minister

Lindell Veitch, Acting Executive Director, Planning, Strategy and Evaluation

Darcy Cherney, Director, Technical and Trades Branch

Alicia McGregor, Senior Analyst, Strategic, Intergovernmental and Legislative Priorities

7. The questions being put on Clauses 1 to 40 and schedule, they were agreed to.
8. It was moved by Ms. Ross:

That the committee report Bill No. 118 – The Saskatchewan Polytechnic Act – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

9. The committee considered Bill No. 119 – The Saskatchewan Polytechnic Consequential Amendments Act, 2013 / Projet de loi no 119 – Loi de 2013 portant modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Saskatchewan Polytechnic Act.

The following Advanced Education Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Rob Norris, Minister

Louise Greenberg, Deputy Minister

Reg Urbanowski, Special Advisor to the Deputy Minister

Lindell Veitch, Acting Executive Director, Planning, Strategy and Evaluation

Darcy Cherney, Director, Technical and Trades Branch

Alicia McGregor, Senior Analyst, Strategic, Intergovernmental and Legislative Priorities

10. The questions being put on Clauses 1 to 4, they were agreed to.
11. It was moved by Ms. Ross:

That the committee report Bill No. 119 – The Saskatchewan Polytechnic Consequential Amendments Act, 2013 / Projet de loi no 119 – Loi de 2013 portant modifications corrélatives à la loi intitulée The Saskatchewan Polytechnic Act – without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

12. The committee recessed from 8:03 p.m. until 8:09 p.m.
13. The committee considered the Estimates for the Ministry of Advanced Education.

The following Advanced Education Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Rob Norris, Minister

Louise Greenberg, Deputy Minister

Karen Allen, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate and Support Services

Reg Urbanowski, Special Advisor to the Deputy Minister

Ann Lorenzen, Executive Director, Universities and Private Vocational Schools

Scott Giroux, Executive Director, Corporate Finance

Mike Pestill, Executive Director, Technical and Trades Branch

Lindell Veitch, Acting Executive Director, Planning, Strategy and Evaluation

Brent Brownlee, Director, Universities and Private Vocational Schools

Kirk Wosminity, Director, Student Initiatives

Danelle Reiss, Acting Director, Sector Program Development

Leann Singer, Manager, Capital Planning

Nataghia Dore, Executive Assistant to the Deputy Minister

14. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for the Ministry of Advanced Education.

15. It was moved by Ms. Wilson:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

16. The committee adjourned at 10:09 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Stacey Ursulescu
Committee Clerk

Delbert Kirsch
Committee Chair