



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

REP. MARY WHITEFORD

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 26, 2022 10:30 AM Room 352, House Appropriations, State Capitol Building

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services was called to order by Chair Whiteford.

The Clerk read the assignment letter, dated January 4, 2022, from Rep. Wentworth, Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives, assigning Rep. Brabec as the Minority Vice Chair, and appointing Rep. O'Neal to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Whiteford, Green, Allor, Bollin, Glenn, VanWoerkom, Beson, Fink, Brabec, Hood, Tate, Thanedar, O'Neal.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Debi Cain, Director of the MDHHS Division of Victim Services, provided testimony regarding human trafficking to the Subcommittee.

Ms. Cain received and answered questions from the Subcommittee.

Angela Aufdemberge, President and CEO of Vista Maria, Karen Moore, Executive Director of Sanctum House, and Jessica Glynn, Senior Director of Law and Policy for the YWCA of Kalamazoo, provided testimony regarding human trafficking to the Subcommittee.

Ms. Aufdemberge and Ms. Moore also provided handouts of their presentations to the Subcommittee.

The Honorable Margaret Bakker provided testimony regarding human trafficking to the Subcommittee.

Rita O'Brien, LLMSW, provided testimony regarding human trafficking to the Subcommittee.

Ms. O'Brien also provided the Subcommittee with written copies of her testimony.

Chair Whiteford requested the suspension of the Zoom and public broadcast of the Subcommittee meeting to protect the anonymity of the next presenter.

A Federal Bureau of Investigation special agent with expertise in human trafficking provided testimony regarding the enforcement of human trafficking laws to the Subcommittee.

Jeynce Poindexter, representing the Ruth Ellis Center, Cassy Jones-McBryde, representing the International Fuller Women Network and Planned Parenthood, and Nicole Denson, representing the MOSAIC Collective, provided testimony regarding human trafficking to the Subcommittee.

The presenters also provided a handout with contact information to the Subcommittee.

The Freedom Network USA and The Human Trafficking Legal Center provided handout materials regarding human trafficking to the Subcommittee.

Representative Brabec moved to adopt the meeting minutes from December 1, 2021. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, Chair Whiteford adjourned the meeting at 12:00 PM.

Representative Mary Whiteford, Chair

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