



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY**  
**COLLEGES**  
REP. GREG MARKKANEN  
CHAIR

**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

4:23 PM

Room 352, State Capitol  
Building

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education and Community Colleges was called to order by Chair Markkanen.

The Chair requested attendance to be called:

Present: Reps. Markkanen, Roth, Jenkins-Arno, Longjohn and Rogers.

Absent: Reps. Mueller and Kuhn.

Excused: Reps. Mueller and Kuhn.

Representative Jenkins-Arno moved to adopt the meeting minutes from April 16, 2025. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Robert LeFevre, President, and Colby Cesaro, Vice President, Michigan Independent Colleges and Universities, gave brief remarks to the subcommittee.

Dr. Tarek Sobh, President, Sharda and Shartae Cotton, Students, Lawrence Technological University gave a presentation to the subcommittee. Questions and discussion followed.

Dr. Richard Pappas, President, and Margaret Paige, Student, Davenport University, gave a presentation to the subcommittee. Questions and discussion followed.

Dr. Chris Dougherty, President, Jackson Glover and Reagan Esch, Students, Madonna University gave a presentation to the subcommittee. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Roth moved to excuse Representatives Mueller and Kuhn from the meeting. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Markkanen adjourned the meeting at 5:07 PM.

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Representative Greg Markkanen, Chair

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