

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT**

January 28, 2025
08:00 AM

Hearing Room C

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Zach Hudson, Chair
Rep. Lisa Fragala, Vice-Chair
Rep. Darin Harbick, Vice-Chair
Rep. Sarah Finger McDonald
Rep. Lesly Muñoz
Rep. Boomer Wright
Rep. Dwayne Yunker

STAFF PRESENT: Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst
William Best, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS: Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

MEASURES/ISSUES: Introduction to Oregon Health and Sciences University
– Informational Meeting
Introduction to Higher Education Labor Organizations
– Informational Meeting
Overview of Student Basic Needs – Informational Meeting

00:00:04 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:05 Chair Hudson

00:01:02 [Introduction to Oregon Health and Sciences University -
Informational Meeting](#)

00:01:03 Chair Hudson

00:01:24 Steve Stadum, President, Oregon Health and Science University

00:01:31 Connie Seeley, Board Secretary, Oregon Health and Science University

00:10:26 Rep. Finger McDonald

00:11:36 Rep. Yunker

00:12:43 Rep. Muñoz

00:15:28 Vice-Chair Harbick

00:15:55 Vice-Chair Fragala

00:17:34 [Introduction to Higher Education Labor Organizations - Informational
Meeting](#)

00:17:35 Chair Hudson

- 00:19:22** Ariana Jacob, President, Adjunct Faculty, American Federation of Teachers-Oregon; Portland State University Faculty Association (PSUFA) Local 3571
- 00:26:23** Luke Nearhood, Vice-President, Political Engagement, Coalition of Graduate Employees
- 00:31:43** Kevin Sullivan, Public Affairs Consultant, Oregon Education Association
- 00:32:32** Adrienne Mitchell, President, Lane Community College Education Association; Full-time Faculty Member, Lane Community College
- 00:37:07** Michelle Kennedy, Part-time Faculty Member, Chemeketa Community College
- 00:42:27** Helen Paz, Benefits Navigator, Clackamas Community College
- 00:46:17** Rep. Yunker
- 00:48:32** Johnny Earl, President, Service Employees International Union 503 (SEIU)
- 00:51:53** Jackson Stalley, Sub-Local President, SEIU 503 Western Oregon University
- 00:55:00** Jennifer Smith, Sub-Local President, SEIU 503 University of Oregon
- 00:57:35** Andrew Struthers, Sub-Local President, SEIU 503 Oregon State University
- 00:59:37** Victor Reyes, Executive Director, American Association of University Professors-Oregon
- 01:04:07** Keaton Miller, Associate Professor, University of Oregon
- 01:06:51** Elizabeth McMurtry, Project Manager, Office of Academic Innovation, Portland State University
- 01:10:16** Vice-Chair Fragala
- 01:11:04** Rep. Muñoz
- 01:11:25** **Overview of Student Basic Needs**
- 01:11:26** Chair Hudson
- 01:11:56** Alex Aghdaei, Campaign Strategist, Partners for a Hunger-Free Oregon
- 01:12:29** Kai White, student, Portland Community College
- 01:13:53** Angelo Arredondo, student, Oregon State University
- 01:18:30** Zoe Cooper-Caroselli, Program Coordinator, Portland Community College, Statewide Basic Needs Oregon
- 01:23:39** Amy Hofer, Program Director, Open Oregon Educational Resources, Statewide Open Education
- 01:25:43** Pamela Blumenthal, Director, Affordable Rents for College Students, College Housing Northwest
- 01:31:00** Meeting Adjourned