

CENTENNIAL OFFICE BUILDING, 1st FLOOR 658 CEDAR STREET TRUST FUND ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55155

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MINUTES

Friday, June 27, 2025 Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Location: REMOTE: through electronic means (YouTube)

Members Present: Rita Albrecht, Michelle Beeman, Rep. Peter Fischer, Sen. Steve Green, Sen. Foung Hawj, Monica Hedstrom, Rep. Josh Heintzeman, Rep. Sydney Jordan, Shona Langseth, Rep. Leon Lillie, Sen. Jennifer McEwen, Seth Moore, Sen. Aric Putnam, Michael Reese, Sen. Torrey Westrom

Staff Present: B. Nash, M. Varien, M. Campana, D. Griffith, T. Dietrich, N. Fribley, T. Schaufler

Members Excused: William Faber and Rep. Roger Skraba

Members Absent:

Co-Chair: Sen. Foung Hawj

Chair Hawj called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

1. **Roll call attendance**

Chair Hawj asked for a roll call. Diana Griffith took roll call for attendance. There were 12 members present at the time of roll call, and nine were needed for a quorum. Representatives Fischer and Jordan attended from locations on the Capitol complex.

Member	Attendance	Member	Attendance
Commissioner Albrecht	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Langseth	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Beeman	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Lillie - Rep	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Faber	Excused	Commissioner McEwen - Sen	Excused
Commissioner Fischer – Rep	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Moore	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Green – Sen	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Putnam – Sen	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Reese	Excused
Commissioner Hedstrom	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Skraba – Rep	Excused
Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep	Yes (remote)	Commissioner Westrom – Sen	Absent
Commissioner Jordan - Rep	Yes (remote)		

2. Members report potential conflicts of interest regarding today's business

Members reported the following conflicts of interest for 2026 proposals:

LEGISLATIVE-CITIZEN COMMISSION ON MINNESOTA RESOURCES

Member Conflict of Interest Report - M.L. 2026 (FY27)							
Proposal					Members With		
ID	First Name		Project Title	Organization	Conflict of Interest		
2026-149 Veluchamy	Chitraichamy	Ambient Alkaline Hydrolysis, an	U of MN, WCROC	Michael Reese			
		Emergency Livestock Mortality					
		Disposal					
2026-168 Veluchamy	Chitraichamy	Integrating Biological-Carbon	U of MN, WCROC	Michael Reese			
		Capture and Microalgae for					
			Sustainable Biofuel Production				
2026-255 Kim	Melton	Red River Basin Soil Health Initiative	Red River Basin	Monica Hedstrom			
				Commission			
2026-303 Veluchamy	Chitraichamy	Greenhouse Gas Mitigation in	U of MN, WCROC	Michael Reese			
		Minnesota Livestock Farming					
2026-318 Tiffany	Wolf	United in Responding to CWD in	U of MN, College of	Monica Hedstrom			
		Minnesota	Veterinary Medicine				
2026-329 Eric	Buchanan	Making Solar Work for Minnesota	U of MN, WCROC	Michael Reese			
			Dairy Farmers				
2026-338 Soon Li	Teh	Evaluating Agrivoltaics on	U of MN, College of Food,	Michael Reese			
		Minnesota's Novel Cold-Hardy Table	Agricultural and Natural				
		Grapes	Resource Sciences				
2026-396 Skip	Langer	Southeast Minnesota Groundwater	Olmsted County	Shona Langseth			
			Protection and Soil Health Initiative				
2026-465 Kerry	Holmberg	Managing Climate using Inverse	U of MN, College of Food,	Monica Hedstrom			
		Modeling: Central Sands Aquifer	Agricultural and Natural				
			Resource Sciences				
2026-472 Josh	Pennington	Assessing Recruitment Threats for	Department of Military	William Faber			
		_	Imperiled Blanding's Turtles	Affairs			
2026-481 Isaac	Isaac	Haagen	Resilient Dairy Calf Systems to	U of MN, College of Food,	Michael Reese		
		_	Support Minnesota's Communities	Agricultural and Natural			
				Resource Sciences			

3. Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund 2026 Proposal Presentations (FY27) – see presentation schedule for Day 4 (subject to change)

See <u>Attachment #1</u> for Presentation Schedule for June 27, 2025.

Commissioner Westrom joined the meeting.

4. Public testimony

There was no public testimony.

5. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.