

**Public Education Funding Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
February 10, 2025

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

The Public Education Funding Commission (PEFC) meeting was held on February 10, 2025, with the following members in attendance:

Laura Sturgeon, Cindy Marten, Ann Visalli, Kim Williams, Eric Buckson, Taylor Hawk, Tammy Croce, Kevin Carson, David Tull, Emily Falcon, Sara Hale, Nick Johnson, Jose Aviles, Evelyn Edney, April Albury-Harmon, Sarah Celestin, Helen Anderson, Jennifer Fuqua, Gary Henry, Madeleine Bayard, Mary Andrews, Sage Sawhney

Also participating were Sarah Barzee, WestEd, and Michael Griffith, Learning Policy Institute.

[Audio Recording of Meeting](#)

**Welcome/Introductions**

Senator Sturgeon opened the meeting and conducted a verbal roll call and confirmed a quorum was present.

**Approval of December 9, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

The Chair requested a motion to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2024 meeting. While a motion and a second were made to approve the December minutes, it was later determined that the minutes had not been emailed to members before the meeting. Sarah Barzee confirmed that was the case and committed to emailing the minutes immediately following the meeting. Approval of both the December and February meeting minutes will take place at the March meeting.

**New Business**

Senator Sturgeon introduced the new Secretary of Education, Cindy Marten, and then facilitated introductions given the addition of new members since the December meeting. She then turned the meeting over to Michael Griffith.

Mr. Griffith shared a presentation on the key takeaways of the group's work thus far and funding examples from other key states, and facilitated a discussion about the Commission's goals for a new formula.

Following the presentation, members requested that potential models be developed and presented. The Chair agreed and requested that Mr. Griffith develop potential models to be shared at the April meeting. This will include a model previously shared with the Commission by the CFO representatives at the December meeting.

**Public Comment**

The commission heard virtual public comment from five people as well as comments from three members of the public attending in person.

**Adjournment**

Senator Sturgeon reminded the group that the next meeting would be held virtually on March 10<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anna Sullivan for WestEd