Chair Bolden called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm. Committee members present included Representatives Bennett, Bolden, Dukes, Spiegelman; Senators Delcollo, Hansen, Pettyjohn, Sokola, Walsh. Entering late was Representative Brady. Staff present included Julie Fedele, Committee Analyst; Holly Vaughn Wagner, Legislative Attorney; Ruth Ann Jones, Legislative Analyst, Controller General’s Office; Victoria Cook, Legislative Fellow; and Julia Dumas Wilks, Administrative Specialist. A quorum was met.

Chair Bolden welcomed everyone to the Joint Legislative Oversight and Sunset Committee (“the Committee”) in the 149th General Assembly, Second Session and called for introductions of members present. Representative Spiegelman motioned to approve the April 17, 2018 minutes and was seconded by Senator Sokola. The motion carried 9 (Representatives Bennett, Bolden, Dukes, Spiegelman; Senators Delcollo, Hansen, Pettyjohn, Sokola, Walsh); 1 absent (Representative Brady).

Attention turned to the representatives from the State Board of Education (“the Board”). The Board was represented by the Board President, Dennis Loftus, Vice President Nina Lou Bunting, and the Secretary of Education, Dr. Susan Bunting. Discussion moved to the 4/4/18 draft legislation to amend Title 14 of the Delaware Code relating to the Board. There was discussion about provisions in the legislation concerning the duties and qualifications of the Board’s Executive Director, rotating location of meetings, public comment during meetings, and via live streaming of Board meetings. Representative Spiegelman motioned to table the Board’s draft legislation and was seconded by Senator Pettyjohn. The motion carried 10 (Representatives Bennett, Bolden, Brady, Dukes, Spiegelman; Senators Delcollo, Hansen, Pettyjohn, Sokola, Walsh); 0 absent.

Discussion moved to recommendations for the Council on Correction (“the Council”). The Council was represented by the Chair, Darryl Chambers, and Vice-Chair, Muhammad Salaam. Discussion included communication with the Department of Corrections and the potential for the combination of the Council with another entity to support the Council’s long terms goals. Senator Delcollo motioned to table the Council on Correction discussion to a later meeting, which was seconded by Representative Spiegelman. The motion carried 10 (Representatives Bennett, Bolden, Brady, Dukes, Spiegelman; Senators Delcollo, Hansen, Pettyjohn, Sokola, Walsh); 0 absent.
Chair Bolden motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:26 pm, seconded by Representative Spiegelman. The motion carried 10 (Representatives Bennett, Bolden, Brady, Dukes, Spiegelman; Senators Delcollo, Hansen, Pettyjohn, Sokola, Walsh); 0 absent.

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