

**MINUTES
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**Meeting Jointly
Tuesday, October 7, 2025
10:00 AM**

**Anna Strong Learning Academy, Library, 214 S. Alabama Street
Marianna, Arkansas**

Committee members present: Senators Jane English, Chair; Dan Sullivan, Vice Chair; and Reginald Murdock; Representatives Keith Brooks, Chair; Wade Andrews, Rick Beck, Karilyn Brown, Tony Furman, Denise Garner, Diana Gonzales Worthen, and Jessie McGruder

Other members present: Senator Jamie Scott; Representative David Ray

Senator English called the meeting to order.

Opening Remarks and Overview of Lee County School District

Dr. Michael Stone, Superintendent, Lee County School District, and Kaiesha McGruder, Assistant Principal, Anna Strong Elementary School gave opening remarks and an overview of Lee County School District including programs implemented in the schools.

Tour of Anna Strong Elementary School

Dr. Michael Stone, Superintendent, Lee County School District and Michelle Branch, Principal, Anna Strong Elementary School led a tour of Anna Strong Elementary School located at 214 S. Alabama Street, Marianna, AR 72360.

Tour of Teacher Housing Project

Dr. Michael Stone, Superintendent, Lee County School District gave a tour of the Teacher Housing Project located at 188 W. Chestnut Street, Marianna, AR 72360.

Tour of Lee High School

Dr. Michael Stone, Superintendent, Lee County School District led a tour of Lee High School located at 523 Forrest Avenue, Marianna, AR 72360. Additionally, Dr. Stone introduced students who will receive their associate's degree upon graduation and those participating in the barber/cosmetology programs.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.