

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Title: Advisory Committee on Capitol Area Security

Date: 09/22/2025

Time: 9:07am - 10:15am

Location: Minnesota Senate Building

Chairperson: Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan

Committee Members:

- Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan (attended in person)
- Chief Justice Natalie Hudson (attended in person)
- Representative Kelly Moller (attended in person)
- Representative Jim Nash (attended in person)
- Senator Warren Limmer (attended in person)
- Senator Bonnie Westlin (attended in person)

Advisors Present:

- Brian Pease, Historic Site Manager, MN Historical Society
- Erik Cedarleaf Dahl, Executive Secretary, Capitol Area Architectural Planning Board
- Kari Suchy, Director, Facilities Management Division, Department of Administration
- Tamar Gronvall, Commissioner, Department of Administration
- Lori Hodapp, Chief Sergeant at Arms, MN House of Representatives
- Keith Boser, Deputy Chief Sergeant at Arms, MN House of Representatives
- Bob Jacobson, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety
- Christina Bogojevic, Colonel, MN State Patrol, Department of Public Safety
- Jeremy Geiger, Lt. Colonel, MN State Patrol, Department of Public Safety
- Eric Roeske, Captain, Mn State Patrol, Department of Public Safety
- Joe Dwyer, Major, MN State Patrol, Department of Public Safety
- Jen Super, Emergency Manager, MN Judicial Branch

Call to Order

Chair Flanagan called the meeting to order at 9:07am

Approval of Minutes

Chair Flanagan called for a motion to approve the August 22, 2025, ACCAS meeting minutes. Senator Westlin moved to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Court Security Advisor

Chief Justice Hudson recommended appointing Jen Super as the Court Security Advisor for ACCAS. Chair Flanagan approved the recommendation.

National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) State Capitol Security Overview

Chair Flanagan introduced Emily Ronco, Policy Specialist at NCSL, and Arturo Perez, Vice President of State Services at NCSL. They presented aggregated data on state capitol security nationwide, excluding Minnesota, for comparative purposes. Topics include firearms in capitol, public entrances, cameras, security and law enforcement, capitol complex buildings, sergeants at arms, and capitol security funding. Committee members asked questions and discussion followed.

Update from Department of Public Safety

Chair Flanagan invited Col. Christina Bogojevic to provide an update from the Department of Public Safety. Col. Bogojevic shared information regarding staffing changes, door audits, threat assessments, and an external review that was partially complete as of the meeting date. Committee members asked questions and discussion followed.

Public Testimony

Chair Flanagan invited the individual who had signed up to provide public comment, Rich Neumeister, to testify. She then asked if anyone else in attendance wished to speak; no additional comments were made.

Adjournment

The open session was adjourned at approximately 10:15 a.m. to transition to the closed session agenda. Chair Flanagan stated the session would be closed under Minnesota Statutes, section 13D.05, subdivision 3(d), to discuss sensitive security details related to the State Capitol, House and Senate Chambers, and other specific security services. Committee members, advisors, and support staff moved to a different location to continue with the closed session.