

**KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Meeting Minutes  
July 10, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Jim Porter called the monthly meeting of the Kansas State Board of Education to order at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 10, 2018, in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas.

**7/10/2018  
A.M. Session  
(00:00:09)**

**ROLL CALL**

The following Board members were present:

John Bacon	Jim Porter
Deena Horst	Steve Roberts
Ann Mah	Janet Waugh
Jim McNiece	Ken Willard

Member Sally Cauble participated in the meeting by phone beginning at 10:05 a.m. before arriving at 11:45 a.m. Member Kathy Busch was absent, but participated by phone for portions of the meeting, beginning at 11 a.m.

**STATE BOARD MISSION STATEMENT, MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Porter read both the Board’s Mission Statement and Kansans Can Vision Statement. He then asked for a moment of silence after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Willard moved to approve the Tuesday agenda. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 7-1 with Mr. Roberts in opposition, and Mrs. Busch and Mrs. Cauble absent.

**MOTION  
(00:02:44)**

**APPROVAL OF THE JUNE MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. McNiece moved to approve the minutes of the June Board meeting . Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 8-0.

**MOTION  
(00:03:16)**

**COMMISSIONER’S REPORT**

In his monthly report to the Board, Commissioner Randy Watson commented on some of the challenges caused by society’s changing dynamics that affect the work of education. He cited current examples of schools partnering with therapists to meet student mental health needs, the influence of technology/social media, and a future workforce impacted by automation and robotics. Dr. Watson reiterated the Kansans Can outcome goals for postsecondary progress and illustrated evidence of movement in this area since the vision started in the fall of 2015. He reminded members that postsecondary education refers to training after high school, which can be attained through many avenues. He concluded by talking about how change happens in schools, noting that staying the course will be important over the next several years as school redesign occurs.

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**CITIZENS’ OPEN FORUM**

Chairman Porter declared the Citizens’ Forum open at 10:30 a.m. There was one speaker — Mark Tallman, Kansas Association of School Boards, who provided a summary of information collected during the KASB summer advocacy tour and a publication about the constitutional importance of K-12 education in Kansas. Chairman Porter declared the Citizens’ Forum closed at 10:33 a.m.

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### **ACTION ON KANSAS MODEL STANDARDS FOR SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL AND CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT**

(00:34:15)

Education Program Consultant Kent Reed and revision committee co-chairs gave an overview of changes made to the Kansas model standards for Social, Emotional and Character Development. These included citing both grade and age levels appropriate for the standards as well as expanding descriptions of character, personal and emotional development. Board members received the draft standards last month for review. Mrs. Waugh moved to approve the Kansas model standards for Social, Emotional and Character Development as presented. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 9-0, which included a vote by phone from Mrs. Cauble.

#### **MOTION**

(00:39:24)

#### **BREAK**

Board members took a break from 10:45 to 11 a.m.

### **RECEIVE ACCREDITATION REVIEW COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SYSTEMS SEEKING ACCREDITATION THROUGH KESA**

(00:45:48)

In 2016, the State Board of Education approved Kansas Education Systems Accreditation (KESA) as the new model to accredit schools in Kansas. KESA shifts accreditation from schools to the district/system level with a five-year improvement model approach. Implementation began in the 2017-18 school year. The first seven systems to be considered for accreditation were brought to the State Board this month by Assistant Director Jeannette Nobo. They were: Louisburg USD 416, Central Heights USD 288, St. Michael the Archangel (Leawood), Maur Hill-Mount Academy (Atchison), Most Pure Heart of Mary (Topeka), Good Shepherd (Shawnee), and Christ the King (Kansas City).

The Accreditation Review Council (ARC) examines all documentation and submits a recommendation in the form of an Executive Summary to the State Board for final consideration. During discussion, Board members made several recommendations for improvements to the summary document. These included the system's response to any deficiencies, access to the final reports, and name of the review chairperson. The State Board will vote in August on an accreditation status for these systems that entered the process as year five systems.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **MOTION**

(01:25:32)

Supplemental information for consent items 18 g., h., k., l. and m. was provided to members in their folders. Mr. Willard moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 9-1, with Mr. Roberts in opposition. Mrs. Busch and Mrs. Cauble voted by phone. In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

- received the monthly Personnel Report for June.
- confirmed the unclassified personnel appointments of Kimberly Muff as Education Program Consultant on the Career, Standards and Assessment Services (CSAS) team, effective June 1, 2018, at annual salary of \$56,118.40; Drew Mechnig as Applications Developer on the Information Technology team, effective June 4, 2018, at an annual salary of \$46,113.60; Sarah Perryman as Education Program Consultant on the CSAS team, effective June 4, 2018, at an annual salary of \$56,118.40; Cary Rogers as Education Program Consultant on the CSAS team, effective June 4, 2018, at an annual salary of \$56,118.40; Cynthia Hadicke as Education Program Consultant on the CSAS team, effective June 18, 2018, at an annual salary of \$56,118.40.
- accepted the following recommendations of the Evaluation Review Committee for program approval: **Bethel College** — Elementary K-6, continuing program through Dec. 31, 2024; **Emporia State University** — Building Leadership PreK-12, Earth and Space Science 6-12, School Psychologist PreK-12, all continuing programs through Dec. 31, 2024; **Haskell Indian Nations University** — Elementary K-6, continuing program through Dec. 31, 2025; **MidAmerica Nazarene University** — Elementary Education Unified K-6, new program through Dec. 31, 2020; **Pittsburg State University** — Innovative Special Education, new program through Dec. 31, 2020.

- accepted recommendations of the Licensure Review Committee as follows: *Approved cases* — 3202 Jessica Nevarez (PreK-12 high incidence special education), 3205 Kristen Becker (K-6 elementary education), 3212 Janell Pottorff, 3214 Jennifer Wangsgaard, 3215 Karen Heiserman, 3216 Mariah Farber, 3217 Stephanie Taylor, 3218 Angela Holloway, 3219 Andrew Loew, 3220 Kyle Unruh. *Denied cases* — 3199 Jill Stetter, 3202 Jessica Nevarez (K-6 elementary education), 3205 Kristen Becker (PreK-12 library media specialist).
- approved issuance of Visiting Scholar licenses for the 2018-19 school year as follows: Janet Graham, Robin Bacon, Marjorie Holloway, Michael Farmer, Scott Franklin, Alisa Morse, all for Blue Valley USD 229 Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS) program; Kelly Welch, Geary County USD 475.
- adopted and set cut scores for licensure tests as presented.
- authorized the following districts to hold elections on the question of issuing bonds in excess of the district's general bond debt limitation: USD 230 Spring Hill, USD 445 Coffeyville, USD 458 Basehor-Linwood.
- authorized the following districts to receive capital improvement (bond and interest) state aid as authorized by law: USD 230 Spring Hill, USD 445 Coffeyville, USD 458 Basehor-Linwood.
- amended previous action to enter into a contract for the purpose of investigating special education complaints with said contract to be for a period of six years, and for an amount not to exceed \$300,000 out of IDEA VI-B funds.
- approved funding of the Kansas Preschool Pilot grants for FY 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$8,332,318.
- approved the recommended award of Early Learning Preschool Aged, Four-Year-Old At-Risk slots for FY 2019.
- approved funding of the Kansas Parent Educator Program, Parents As Teachers grants for FY 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$8,237,635.

*authorized the Commissioner of Education to negotiate and*

- enter into a contract with the Kansas Association of Independent and Religious Schools for the reimbursement of funds for professional development of non-public school teachers and leaders, in an amount not to exceed \$36,000;
- enter into a contract in an amount not to exceed \$55,000 with Diane Gjerstad to provide assistance with the Mental Health Intervention Team Pilot Program;
- enter into a contract in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 from Sept. 16, 2018 to Sept. 15, 2019 with Michelle Pyle, Computer Application Developer, to program enhancements in KN-CLAIM (Kansas Nutrition Claims and Information Management System);
- authorized the Interim Superintendent of the Kansas School for the Deaf (KSD) to enter into contracts for out-of-state tuition for the 2018-19 school year with the following Missouri school districts: Center — not to exceed \$20,000 for one student, plus additional related services, if needed, at a cost of \$60 per hour, and Park Hill — not to exceed \$40,000 for one student;
- authorized the Interim Superintendent of the Kansas State School for the Blind (KSSB) to enter into contracts for out-of-state tuition for the 2018-19 school year with the following Missouri school districts: Liberty — not to exceed \$20,000 for one student; Blue Springs — not to exceed \$40,000 for one student;
- authorized the Interim Superintendent of KSSB to renew a contract with Accessible Arts, Inc. for arts-related services for students attending KSSB in exchange for KSSB facility use and statewide

outreach services in the arts for Kansas individuals with disabilities in an amount not to exceed \$134,000;

- authorized the Interim Superintendent of KSSB to renew the contract with Providence Medical Center for physical and occupational therapy services in an amount not to exceed \$45,000;
- authorized the Interim Superintendent of KSSB to renew a contract with Baer Wilson and Company, LLC, to provide counseling/evaluation services for students who attend KSSB in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

### **BOARD REPORTS AND FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS**

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Time was available before the lunch break to begin Board Reports. Mrs. Waugh reported on the Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee and distributed a response letter the committee provided to legislators about transfer of funds targeted for the Evidenced-Based Programs Account. Mrs. Waugh also reported on a recent meeting of the Opioid Prevention Task Force and its concerns about a new predicted epidemic of heroine use.

Mrs. Cauble arrived at approximately 11:45 a.m.

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

During the Chairman's Report, Mr. Porter provided an update on membership of the new legislative Task Force on Dyslexia, which he chairs. Mrs. Mah moved to approve the State Board appointment of Jennifer Bettles to the Task Force upon Mr. Porter's recommendation. Mr. McNiece seconded.

### **MOTIONS**

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(01:36:14)

Motion carried 9-0, with Mrs. Busch not participating in the vote. Ms. Bettles is a reading teacher in Herington USD 487. Chairman Porter called for nominations to fill an impending Board member vacancy on the Kansas Volunteer Commission (KVC). Mr. Roberts volunteered to serve on the KVC; Mr. McNiece provided a second. The recommendation was approved on a vote of 9-0.

Chairman Porter reported on the Governor's Education Council and subcommittee work, School Breakfast Institute and forthcoming initiatives, and an invitation for the Board to tour Cedar Crest in August.

### **LUNCH**

He recessed the meeting for lunch at noon.

### **P.M. SESSION**

#### **ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION**

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m. and Mrs. Busch joined by phone. Linda Sieck, Chair of the Professional Practices Commission, participated remotely to present recommendations of the Commission on licensure cases this month. Mr. Roberts moved to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the PPC and issue the requested licenses for Brooke Martin, Katelyn Marcotte and Todd Clark. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-1, with Mr. Willard in opposition. Next, Mrs. Sieck presented three other cases for action. Mr. Roberts moved to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the PPC and revoke the licenses of Laurie Fry and Martin Segovia. Mr. Bacon seconded. Motion carried 10-0. Then Mr. McNiece moved to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the PPC and publicly censure Alexandra Morris. Mr. Porter seconded. Motion carried 9-1, with Mr. Roberts in opposition.

### **MOTIONS**

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#### **KSDE OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL ORAL ARGUMENT**

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KSDE General Counsel Scott Gordon addressed the Board regarding the matter of the licensure of Trenton Banning. Evidentiary materials and a Proposed Final Order were provided to Board members in advance of the meeting. Mr. Gordon answered questions and provided clarification. Mr. Gordon asked the State Board to make appropriate findings of fact and conclusions of law in support of revoking Mr. Banning's teaching license. Mr. Banning was present and was allowed to address the State Board.

**ACTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION**

Mrs. Cauble moved that the State Board and Board Attorney Mark Ferguson retire into a closed session for further deliberation on a pending licensure matter. Mr. Ferguson explained that the Board in its quasi-judicial role could discuss evidence in a closed session, which differed from an Executive Session. Mrs. Waugh seconded. Motion carried 10-0. The Board entered into closed session from 2:10 to 2:35 p.m. at which time the open meeting resumed.

**MOTION**  
(02:20:06)

**ACTION ON LICENSURE OF TRENTON BANNING**

Mr. Roberts moved that the Kansas State Board of Education issue the findings of fact and conclusions of law and revoke the professional license of Trenton Banning. Mrs. Cauble seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**MOTION**  
(02:23:04)

There was a break until 2:45 p.m.

**BREAK**

**ACTION ON COALITION OF INNOVATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS SPECIALIZED CERTIFICATE**

Marysville USD 364 is a member of the Coalition of Innovative School Districts and requested renewal of a specialized teaching certificate for an instructor of Spanish at Marysville Junior-Senior High. Principal Darren Schroeder participated remotely to answer questions about this hard-to-fill position, and report on the success of the applicant's past year. The Specialized Certificate must be renewed each year. The USD 364 Board of Education has approved the renewal. An outline of Marysville's program of support was provided. Mrs. Horst moved to approve renewal of a Specialized Teaching Certificate for Elizabeth Stewart as presented for use in Marysville USD 364. Mr. Bacon seconded. Motion carried 9-0, with Mrs. Busch unavailable for the vote.

**MOTION**  
(02:28:40)

**ACTION ON NEW APPOINTMENTS TO THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION**

Nominations were presented for State Board action to fill open positions representing specific categories on the Professional Practices Commission. Mr. McNiece moved to appoint Eric Filippi of Wichita USD 259 to serve on the PPC representing the Junior High Middle Level Public School Principal position for a partial term effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Mrs. Cauble seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

**MOTION**  
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Mr. Willard moved to appoint William Anderson of Sterling USD 376 to serve on the PPC representing the Senior High Public School Principal position. Mrs. Mah seconded. Motion carried 9-0. Mrs. Waugh moved to appoint Jennifer Holt of Kansas City Kansas USD 500 to serve on the PPC representing the Elementary Public School Teacher position. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 9-0. Mr. Porter moved to appoint Aaron Edwards of Lansing USD 469 to serve on the PPC representing the Senior High Public School Teacher position. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 9-0. The last three appointments are for full three-year terms effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.

**MOTIONS**  
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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mrs. Waugh moved that the Kansas State Board of Education recess into Executive Session to discuss the subject of an individual employee's performance, which is justified pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, in order to protect the privacy interest of the individual(s) to be discussed. The session would begin at 3 p.m. No action would be taken during this session. The open meeting would resume at 3:20 p.m. in the Board Room. Commissioner Randy Watson and Board Attorney Mark Ferguson would join the Executive Session. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

**MOTION**  
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The Board returned to open session at 3:20 p.m.

**MOTIONS**  
(02:37:53)  
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**ACTION ON SUPERINTENDENT POSITIONS FOR KANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND KANSAS STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND**

Mr. Bacon moved to approve the recommendation of Commissioner Watson for Luanne Barron to be Superintendent of the Kansas School for the Deaf. Mrs. Cauble seconded. Motion carried 9-0. Mrs. Waugh moved to approve the recommendation of Commissioner Watson for Jon Harding to be Superintendent of the Kansas State School for the Blind. Mr. Bacon seconded. Motion carried 9-0. Both administrators had been serving as interim superintendents since July 1, 2017.

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**POSTPONED ACTION ON NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF/NEA**

Board Attorney Mark Ferguson announced that teacher voting on the professional agreement with Kansas School for the Deaf/NEA was not fully complete. The State Board will not vote on the agreement until it has been ratified by the teachers' unit. Action has been postponed until August.

**BREAK**

There was a 10-minute break at 3:25 p.m.

**MOTION**  
(02:49:42)

**ACTION ON PROGRAM STANDARDS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SAFE AND SECURE SCHOOLS STATE AID GRANTS AND APPLICATIONS**

Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis described the purpose of the Kansas Safe and Secure Schools Act created by the 2018 Kansas Legislature. The Legislature appropriated \$5 million for grants to assist school districts with building upgrades for safety and security. The State Board was provided with program standards recommendations for use with the grants. Mr. Dennis reported that 153 applications were received from districts requesting approximately \$13 million in state aid. Six agencies helped determine the criteria for approving the applications. A formula was created for calculating the distribution of funding, which must be matched dollar for dollar. Mrs. Horst moved to approve the recommended program standards for the Safe and Secure Schools State Aid Grants and the recommendations for grant allocations to school districts not to exceed \$5,000,000. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 9-0, with Mrs. Busch unavailable for the vote.

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**LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

*Budget recommendations* — Mr. Dennis led the Board through the annual practice of making education funding recommendations as required by statute. He provided a history of educational funding, category amounts based on law, and options to consider for the next two-year budget (Fiscal Year 2020 and Fiscal Year 2021). Calculations on Base Aid for Student Excellence (BASE) included the Consumer Price Index for inflation adjustment referenced in the most recent opinion on school finance from the Kansas Supreme Court.

**SERIES OF MOTIONS**  
(03:20:42)

Action on the following recommendations occurred:

- Mr. McNiece moved to recommend a 1.44 percent increase for BASE as recommended by the Court on what has already been approved by the Legislature. Mrs. Horst seconded. The motion failed to receive the six required votes for passage with a vote of 3-6. Mr. Porter called for individual responses on a suitable inflation percentage. Members delayed a recommendation on the BASE, also known as base state aid per pupil.
- Mrs. Mah moved to fund the law for supplemental general state aid (Local Option Budget). Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 8-1, with Mr. Bacon in opposition.
- Mrs. Cauble moved to fund the law for Capital Outlay State Aid. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 8-1, with Mr. Bacon in opposition.
- Mrs. Waugh moved to recommend a four-year progression for Special Education funding to reach 92 percent of excess costs, which is current law. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 6-2-1, with Mr. Bacon and Mr. Roberts in opposition, and Mr. Willard abstaining.
- Mrs. Mah moved to increase Parents As Teachers funding by 1,000 children in both FY 20 and 21.

Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 8-1, with Mr. Bacon in opposition. - - -  
- Mrs. Cauble moved to fund the law for the Mentor Teacher Program. Mrs. Mah seconded. Motion carried 7-2, with Mr. Roberts and Mr. Bacon in opposition.

*Mrs. Busch joined the budget recommendation discussion by phone at this time.*

- Mrs. Mah moved to fund the law for Professional Development. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 9-1 with Mr. Bacon in opposition.
- Mr. McNiece moved to fund the law for School Lunch (reimburse local education agencies 6 cents per school lunch). Mrs. Mah seconded. Motion carried 7-3, with Mr. Willard, Mr. Bacon and Mr. Roberts in opposition.
- Mrs. Waugh moved to fund \$40,000 each for Agriculture in the Classroom, Communities in Schools and Kansas Association of Conservation and Environmental Education. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 10-0.
- Mrs. Mah moved to fund Technical Education Transportation at 100 proration. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 9-1, with Mr. Bacon in opposition.

*Mr. Bacon left the meeting.*

- Mrs. Busch moved to fund Discretionary Grants (after school programs) at the 2010-11 appropriation level. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 8-0-1, with Mr. Bacon absent and Mr. Willard abstaining.
- Mr. Willard moved to fully fund the Technical Education Incentive program. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 9-0.
- No action was taken to make new recommendations for juvenile detention facilities, transportation, National Board Certification, Pre-K Pilot, and these other legislative initiatives -- Reading for Success, Information Technology Education Opportunities, Juvenile Transitional Crisis Pilot, Teach for America, School Technology Infrastructure, Safe and Secure Schools, Mental Health Intervention Pilot Program, ACT and Workkeys Assessment.

*Mr. Roberts left the meeting.*

-- Mr. McNiece moved to recommend a 1.44 percent increase for State Foundation Aid as recommended by the Court on what has already been approved by the Legislature. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 6-1-1, with Mrs. Busch in opposition and Mr. Willard abstaining. Mr. Bacon and Mr. Roberts were absent for the vote.

Board members took a break at 5:55 p.m.

**BREAK**

### **BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Mark Ferguson provided information on a recent ruling by the Kansas Supreme Court involving teacher due process and continuing contract laws. He read passages from the findings in the case *Schribner and McNemee v. Board of Education of USD 492 and the State of Kansas*.

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Chairman Porter recessed the meeting at 6:13 p.m. until 9 a.m. Wednesday in the Board Room.

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**Meeting Minutes  
July 11, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Jim Porter called the Wednesday meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 9 a.m. on July 11, 2018, in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas.

**7/11/2018  
A.M. Session  
(00:00:10)**

**ROLL CALL**

The following Board members were present:

John Bacon	Ann Mah	Steve Roberts
Sally Cauble	Jim McNiece	Janet Waugh
Deena Horst	Jim Porter	Ken Willard

Member Kathy Busch was absent, but participated by phone for portions of the meeting, beginning at 11:50 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mrs. Cauble moved to approve the day's agenda. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

**MOTION  
(00:00:27)**

**UPDATES ON KANSANS CAN VISION OUTCOMES:  
INDIVIDUAL PLAN OF STUDY, GRADUATION AND POSTSECONDARY SUCCESS**

The Kansans Can vision to lead the world in the success of each student centers on specific outcomes for measuring progress developed from what Kansans said they want in their school system. KSDE staff provided updates on three of the outcomes. Assistant Director Stacy Smith focused on the goal that every student, beginning in the middle grades, will have an Individual Plan of Study (IPS) by 2018-19. He gave updates on a layered approach used in schools, beginning with career awareness and exploration. Mr. Smith talked about IPS processes, the Fall Roadshows of training and school staffing challenges. Board members commented on verification of IPS implementation and oversight, requesting a list of what IPS tools are in use, and teacher training.

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Assistant Director Branden Johnson covered the high school graduation outcome. He explained efforts to help improve the graduation rate. The goal is set at 95 percent. He discussed some of root causes attributed to dropout and chronic absenteeism. Board members were particularly interested in the statistics about students in poverty. A resource of parent tips and guidelines is being compiled. There were questions about specific strategies to help students at risk of not graduating, tracking dropout re-entry and GED completers, and a request for more information about dropout prevention.

There was a break from 10:07 to 10:15 a.m.

**BREAK**

The vision outcomes updates continued with Postsecondary Success, led by Assistant Director Beth Fultz. Ms. Fultz reiterated statistics about the educational demand in Kansas. Postsecondary success involves high school completion and one other credential. She noted that reporting of postsecondary data has improved. It was recommended that the term college and career ready sends the wrong message and Postsecondary Success should be used instead. There were questions about which certificates at the technical level are counted in the data for postsecondary success, and continued funding for programs recognized through Senate Bill 155 for career and technical education.



**BOARD REPORTS AND FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS (continued from Tuesday)**

Mrs. Mah shared information about openings on the Kansas Advisory Committee for Career and Technical Education. Mrs. Horst commented on a summer STEM program in the Manhattan-Ogden district. Chairman Porter suggested that Individual Board Reports be written next month since the Wednesday meeting needs to be adjourned early.

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**Requests for Future Agenda Items:**

- Research on how drug abuse is impacting youth (Mrs. Waugh)
- Report on School Breakfast Institute (Mr. Porter)
- Relook at Istation data for implementing Reading for Success program (Mrs. Busch)
- More in-depth work session on graduation, attendance, policies that force students out of the system. Include information on how districts are working to improve graduation rates and “get the last percentage of kids across the stage” (Mr. McNiece)
- Root causes of high school dropout and methods of prevention (Mr. Willard)
- Information on how Colleges of Education address inappropriate contact with students in their pre-service teacher training (Mrs. Waugh)
- STEM licensure acquisition process (Mr. Roberts)
- Professional Development for Board members on issues affecting students such as drugs and sex trafficking (Mrs. Cauble)
- Transportation mileage requirements, particularly the 2.5 mile rule (Mr. McNiece)
- Addressing school safety as a Board and considering a comprehensive plan update (Mr. McNiece)
- Better preparation for budget discussions, not just look at numbers, but receive more explanation (Mr. Willard)
- Policy issues for child sexual abuse (Mr. Willard)
- Re-evaluating 2002 regulations for a restricted license (Mrs. Waugh)

**BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL**

Additions to the travel requests were: Mrs. Mah - Aug. 31 SECD workshop, Lawrence; Mr. McNiece and Mrs. Horst - July 12 New Superintendent Budget Workshop, Salina; Mrs. Horst - July 24 Superintendents Budget Workshop, Salina; Mr. Roberts - Aug. 28 STEM Day with the T-Bones and Piper schools. Mrs. Waugh moved to approve the travel requests and additions. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 8-0, with Mr. Willard out of the room during the vote.

**MOTION**  
(02:25:03)

Board members took a break until 11:50 a.m. Mr. Bacon did not return after break. Mrs. Busch joined the meeting by phone at noon.

**BREAK**

**RECEIVE PROGRAM PROPOSAL FROM TEACH FOR AMERICA**

The Kansas Legislature appropriated \$520,000 for Fiscal Year 2019 for Teach for America. Spencer Hardwick, Chief of Staff for Teach for America’s program in Kansas City, Missouri, gave an overview of the program and its commitment to finding leaders to teach as TFA corps members. Program Executive Director Chris Rosson presented information about TFA expansion in Kansas. The pilot expansion proposal features a national recruiter based in Kansas; resources to recruit, train and place nine teachers in Kansas schools; and professional development for the corps members. Shelly Beech, Director of Professional Workforce Development for USD 500, described the TFA partnership with the Kansas City Kansas schools.

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Board members had numerous questions and comments. Discussion topics included licensure, mentoring, retention, reaching out to other areas of the state, company’s philosophy, corps member evaluation, and next steps. The State Board is expected to take action on the pilot proposal in August.

**ADJOURN**

Chairman Porter adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

The next State Board meeting is Aug. 14 and 15, 2018 in Topeka.

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Jim Porter, Chairman

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Peggy Hill, Secretary