

**KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION****Meeting Minutes****May 8, 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, May 8, 2018, in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas.

**5/8/2018**  
**A.M. Session**  
(00:00:11)

**ROLL CALL**

All Board members were present:

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

**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 AMENDED AGENDA**

Mrs. Cauble requested adding an update from the Teacher Vacancy and Supply Committee as an informational item. Mrs. Horst moved to approve the agenda with the addition. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0. The update would occur before Legislative Matters in the afternoon.

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**APPROVAL OF THE APRIL MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. McNiece moved to approve the minutes of the April Board meeting. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

Commissioner Randy Watson acknowledged the observance of National Teacher Appreciation Week and encouraged others to thank an educator. He then introduced KSDE Director Colleen Riley who spoke about a collaboration program between Emporia State University and the Kansas Association of School Psychologists to help address the shortage of school psychologists. The proposed expedited respecialization plan is designed for individuals already specialized in a related field. A pilot of this program will take place in the 2018-19 school year. Commissioner Watson then briefed Board members on changes in federal Title I funding that impacts Kansas. He reviewed the statute-driven funding formula and the variables that determine the distribution of aid across the U.S. Kansas' loss is about 9 percent.

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**CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM**

Chairman Porter declared the Citizens' Forum open at 10:33 a.m. Speakers and their topics were: John Richard Schrock, Emporia — support for in-depth training for high school science teachers; Arianne Seidl, Kansas Association of Health Physical Education Recreation and Dance — benefits of daily physical education for students. Chairman Porter declared the Citizens' Forum closed at 10:45 a.m.

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**RECOGNITION OF GARY MUSSELMAN, KSHSAA RETIRING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The connection between the Kansas State Board of Education and Kansas State High School Activities Association is identified in state statute. Gary Musselman, KSHSAA Executive Director, will be retiring

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in July after 30 years with the organization. State Board members honored Mr. Musselman for his leadership and service to students and to interscholastic activity programs over three decades. Chairman Porter highlighted several of the organization's accomplishments during Mr. Musselman's tenure. Chairman Porter and Vice Chair Kathy Busch, who both serve on the KSHSAA leadership boards, presented the recognition plaque. Others offered congratulatory remarks.

**BREAK**

Board members took a break from 11:05 to 11:15 a.m. for photos.

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**ACTION ON KANSAS STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND GOAL FOUR**

Mrs. Cauble moved to adopt the proposed recommendations from the Kansas State School for the Blind for increasing collaboration and professional development. This is the fourth of five themed goals to set direction for KSSB. Mrs. Waugh seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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**RECEIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM KSSB ON GOAL FIVE: TRANSITION SERVICES**

KSSB Interim Superintendent Jon Harding gave an overview of a plan to improve student transitions through a more individualized approach. This is the school's fifth improvement goal. Transition services may support a student's return to home, to school or the workplace. He identified challenges and the need for more family involvement in the process. Mr. Harding also addressed the important role of field services whether it is through employment support or community assessments.

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**ACTION ON KANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF GOALS THREE AND FOUR**

Mrs. Busch moved to adopt recommendations from the Kansas School for the Deaf for improving community engagement (Goal Three) and increasing professional development (Goal Four). Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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**RECEIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM KSD ON GOAL FIVE: POSTSECONDARY OUTCOMES**

KSD Interim Superintendent Luanne Barron described measures recommended for supporting post-secondary outcomes, both on campus and statewide. She cited a career fair as one example of how to inform students about employment opportunities. Ms. Barron also shared ideas for identifying more resources for students in their transition to life after leaving the School for the Deaf. Lastly, she showed video clips of KSD alumni describing their preparations for college and career choices.

**LUNCH**

At 12:15 p.m., the Board recessed for lunch until 1:30 p.m.

**P.M. SESSION**  
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**RECOGNITION OF KANSAS SENATE YOUTH DELEGATES FOR 2018**

Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis introduced the 2018 Senate Youth program delegates from Kansas. They are Jaron Caffrey, Haven High School, USD 312, and Sandhya Ravikumar, Lawrence Free State High School, USD 497. Mr. Dennis also recognized Phillip Pyle, Eudora High School, USD 491, as this year's alternate. The delegates were selected to represent the state in Washington D.C. and were awarded a \$10,000 scholarship from the William Randolph Hearst Foundation. These high school seniors described their most impactful learning experiences in D.C., including discussing political climate challenges with the other delegates and a visit to the Pentagon. They then engaged in a question and answer period with the Board members.

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**INFORMATION ON CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PATHWAY DEVELOPMENT**

Assistant Director Stacy Smith summarized the previous day's announcement in Wichita of a new proposed aviation curriculum for high schoolers. This is one example of CTE pathway innovation driven by labor market data. Mr. Smith emphasized business and industry support for the aviation pathway, and provided a timeline for development of this statewide. He updated the Board on development in other areas, such as considerations for the energy pathway which is due for a five-year cycle review.

Some school districts, he noted, are creating specialized pathways to meet industry and demographic needs in their locations. CTE funding, however, is tied to occupations of high need. Suggested considerations were pathways related to growth in the biotech and agribusiness fields. The connection between education and economic development was highlighted.

**UPDATE FROM KANSAS MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION**

Implementation of the Kansas State Music Standards was one focus of the update from the Kansas Music Educators Association. KMEA President Gretchen Bixler also spoke about the organization's expansion of districts serving the state. She shared information on many of the resources available, including professional development opportunities for training teachers on how to implement the standards into lesson planning and curriculum writing. Mike Quilling, KMEA Government Relations Chair, described the advocacy campaign for rural school music programs. Board members were interested in mentoring programs for first-year music teachers and the availability of music curriculum.

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There was a break from 3:05 to 3:15 p.m. Mr. Roberts did not return after the break.

**BREAK**

**ACTION ON KANSAS CURRICULAR STANDARDS FOR DRIVER EDUCATION**

Mrs. Cauble moved to adopt the Kansas Curricular Standards for Driver Education. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 9-0 with Mr. Roberts absent. These standards help provide direction for schools in developing effective driver education programs and set benchmarks for what students should know and be able to do following participation in a driver education program.

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**ACTION ON NEW APPOINTMENTS TO THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD**

Nominations were presented for three openings on the Professional Standards Board. Assistant Director Susan Helbert reviewed the vacancy categories. The positions are effective from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021. Mrs. Cauble moved to approve the appointments of Patty Jurich to her first full term representing a member of Kansas PTA, Shana Steinlage to her first full term representing special education administrators; and Cameron Carlson to his first full term representing unit heads for private Institutions of Higher Education. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

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**ACTION ON NEW APPOINTMENTS TO THE LICENSURE REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Nominations were presented for two openings on the Licensure Review Committee. Mrs. Cauble moved to approve the appointments of Ruth Schneider, USD 394, to serve a full term from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021 as a representative of special education classroom teachers; and Marc Williams, USD 230, to serve a partial term fulfilling a vacancy representing building level administrators from June 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

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**UPDATE ON KANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF/NEA NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT**

Board Attorney Mark Ferguson informed Board members that the negotiations team for the Kansas School for the Deaf was still considering the latest proposal. The negotiated agreement is not ready to present at this time.

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

Linda Sieck, Chair of the Professional Practices Commission, was remotely connected to the meeting and presented the recommendations of the PPC on licensure cases this month. KSDE General Counsel Scott Gordon helped answer questions. Mrs. Busch moved to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the PPC and grant the application of Michael Beitz. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 9-0. Next, Mrs. Sieck presented four other cases for action. Mr. McNiece moved to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the PPC and revoke the licenses of Timothy Coleman, Zhiyang Ji, Gabrielle Bauman and Michael Jascizek. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

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### **UPDATE ON TEACHER VACANCY AND SUPPLY COMMITTEE**

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Mrs. Cauble, who is a member of the Teacher Vacancy and Supply Committee, requested amending the day's agenda to add a committee report. The TVSC is charged with specific recommendations from the Blue Ribbon Task Force on Teacher Vacancies and Supply, including exploration of a comprehensive science endorsement. Discussion occurred on what classes could be taught with this endorsement, the need for a comprehensive science licensure test that aligns with the standards, shortage of science teachers, concerns for perceived lowering of professional standards, and a request for input from practitioners. Director of Teacher Licensure and Accreditation Mischel Miller and Assistant TLA Director Susan Helbert helped answer questions.

### **LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

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Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis reviewed major policy provisions of the school finance plan — 2018 House Substitute for Senate Bill 61 — which was approved by the Legislature and Governor. He spent time on the topics of career and technical education weighting, early childhood funding, local option budget percentages and amendments. He also discussed a mental health intervention pilot program and elements of the Kansas Safe and Secure Schools Act. Lastly, he reminded members that normally budget option recommendations are considered in June, but the court's decision on school finance could delay those discussions.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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Mr. McNiece moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 9-0. In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

- received the monthly Personnel Report for April.
- received the third quarter reports (FY 2018) for the Kansas State School for the Blind and Kansas School for the Deaf.
- approved reappointments of the following individuals to their second full term on the Professional Standards Board: Bill Biermann, USD 352; Jamie Finkeldei, Catholic Diocese of Wichita; PJ Reilly, USD 262; Kyle Stadalman, USD 491; Maria Worthington, USD 229; and approved reappointment of Tasha Markham, USD 484 to her first full term, with all positions effective July 1, 2018-June 30, 2021.
- approved reappointment of Bruce Major, USD 410, to his second full term on the Licensure Review Committee effective July 1, 2018-June 30, 2021.
- accepted the following recommendations for licensure waivers valid for one school year: *Math* — Joseph Clay, USD 259. *High Incidence Special Education* — Rachael Schaffer, USD 512.
- accepted recommendations of the Licensure Review Committee as follows: *Approved cases* — 3196 Cora Haines, 3203 Lisa Kemp; 3204 Anna Davila; 3206 Donna Hull; 3207 Benjamin Schreiner; 3209 Merissa D'Antuono; 3210 Richard Parrett; 3211 Elizabeth Schantz (PreK-12 high incidence special education endorsement). *Denied cases* — Elizabeth Schantz (K-6 elementary education endorsement).
- approved requests for charter status renewal effective for five years to Insight School, USD 230 Spring Hill and Service Valley Charter Academy, USD 504 Oswego-Service Valley.
- issued a Calendar Year 2018 license to Rawhide Harley-Davidson commercial driver training school, Olathe.
- approved recommendations of the School Breakfast Waiver Review Committee to grant School breakfast waivers for the 2018-19 school year to the following: Arbor Creek Elementary, Cedar Creek Elementary, Manchester Park Elementary, Meadow Lane Elementary in USD 233; Garden

Plain Elementary, St. Marks Elementary, Garden Plain High and Andale High in USD 267; South-east of Saline Elementary and Southeast of Saline Junior/Senior High in USD 306; Elmont Elementary, North Fairview Elementary and West Indianola Elementary in USD 345; Conway Springs Middle School in USD 356.

- approved recommendations for funding of the Migrant Summer Services Grants as follows: USD 102 Cimarron \$12,530; USD 200 Greeley \$2,150; USD 215 Lakin \$6,272; USD 216 Deerfield \$6,136; USD 250 Pittsburg \$8,838; USD 253 Emporia \$23,125; USD 259 Wichita \$7,541; USD 316 Golden Plains \$10,900; USD 374 Sublette \$13,027; USD 443 Dodge City \$21,235; USD 445 Coffeyville \$24,620; USD 457 Garden City \$24,568; USD 466 Scott County \$1,802; USD 480 Liberal \$20,000; USD 489 Hays \$12,800; USD 500 Kansas City Kansas \$17,700; USD 501 Topeka \$21,835; USD 507 Satanta \$4,400; DO 602 NKESC \$27,113; DO 609 SEKESC \$20,000. Total \$286,592.
- approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement to renew Technology Excellence in Education Network.

*authorized the Commissioner of Education to negotiate and*

- continue the Microsoft IT Academy State Coordinator contract with NCK Technical College in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023.

Board members took a break until 4:37 p.m.

**BREAK**

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

A special meeting/work session and tour for Board members is planned for Monday, May 14 in Wichita. Mr. McNiece provided a proposed schedule of the day. There will be industry tours, visits to Wichita State University's Innovation Campus and WSU Tech, plus roundtable discussions with business leaders and superintendents.

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Mrs. Cauble shared a handout about a micro-credentialing pilot to explore this potential pathway for re-licensure and emphasis on specific competencies. She also mentioned work on licensure review criteria. Mrs. Waugh reported on recent meetings of the Kansas Prescription Drug and Opioid Advisory Committee and its work to track excessive purchases. Mrs. Busch commented on the School Mental Health Advisory Council's work to provide website resources. Chairman Porter gave an update on securing membership for the new Legislative Task Force on Dyslexia, which he chairs.

Individual Board members reported on activities and school visits within the past month. More in-depth accounts of these events are available in the archived recordings posted on the Board's webpage at [www.ksde.org](http://www.ksde.org).

#### **Requests for Future Agenda Items:**

- Receive draft of comprehensive science proposal from Teacher Vacancy and Supply Committee (Mrs. Busch)
- Feedback from practitioners about comprehensive science option (Mrs. Horst)
- Presentation from Teach for America and comparison to KSDE programs
- Demonstration of website resources as compiled by School Mental Health Advisory Council for mandated trainings (Mrs. Busch)
- Recommendations for Board appointments to Dyslexia Task Force membership (Mr. Porter)
- Presentation on Kansas Reading Roadmap (Mr. Willard)

### **BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL**

Additions to the travel requests were: Mrs. Busch—May 16 Governor's Behavioral Services presentation, May 24 Governor's Education Council sub-committee; May 25 meeting with Rep. Eplee; Mrs.

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Horst — May 22 Supreme Court oral arguments; Mrs. Mah — June 4 Impact Institute at Emporia; Mr. McNiece — May 31 USA-Kansas annual convention in Wichita. Mrs. Busch moved to approve the travel requests and additions. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

Chairman Porter recessed the meeting at 5:20 p.m. The meeting would resume at 9 a.m. on Wednesday in Room 509 of the Landon Building.

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Jim Porter, Chairman

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Peggy Hill, Secretary

## **KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**May 9, 2018**

**MEETING NOT  
RECORDED**

On Wednesday, May 9, 2018, Board members participated in a work session on the Kansas Education Systems Accreditation (KESA).

Chairman Jim Porter called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. in Room 509 of the Landon State Office Building. Board members present were: John Bacon, Kathy Busch, Sally Cauble, Deena Horst, Ann Mah, Jim McNiece, Jim Porter, Steve Roberts, Janet Waugh and Ken Willard. Commissioner Randy Watson and several KSDE staff also attended.

### **ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COALITION OF INNOVATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR ISSUING 2018-19 SPECIALIZED CERTIFICATES**

The Coalition of Innovative School Districts was represented by Dr. Cynthia Lane, Superintendent for USD 500 Kansas City Kansas. She, along with Professional Workforce Development Director Shelly Beech, presented 40 applications for specialized certificates to be considered by the State Board of Education based on Board-approved specifications. The applicants are all for USD 500 and are effective for one year. The applications represent 26 new candidates and 14 renewals. The USD 500 Board of Education approved the applications on April 10. Mrs. Beech noted that the first group of Teaching Fellows will be recognized this month and the retention rate is currently 85 percent. Mrs. Waugh moved to approve the Specialized Certificate applications as presented for use in USD 500 Kansas City Kansas for the 2018-19 school year. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0. Dr. Lane recommended reconsidering the approval steps for filling positions through the specialized certificate process. Additional discussion occurred on promoting alternate licensure pathways, benefits of Teaching Fellows Program and need to track participants after two years.

**MOTION**

### **WORK SESSION: KANSAS EDUCATION SYSTEMS ACCREDITATION**

The Kansas Education Systems Accreditation (KESA) is the new model of accreditation which follows a systems/districts approach over a multi-year cycle. Board members spent the morning discussing roles of the Outside Visitation Teams (OVT) and Accreditation Review Council (ARC). Representative Jim Karleskint, former superintendent and OVT Chair, talked about the importance of utilizing a growth model and identifying what year systems are entering into the accreditation cycle. Darrel Kohlman, USD 115 Nemaha Central, explained how having a strategic plan is key to the process. He described his district's focus on relationships and relevance, two of the accreditation "Rs" in the rubric. He also noted that KESA promotes intentional decision making, for instance about curriculum choices and CTE pathway selection.

The Board took a break at 10 a.m.

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There was discussion about the KESA model's flexibility, comparison between the former building accreditation model and the new systems model, and OVT makeup. Mischel Miller, Bill Bagshaw and Jeannette Nobo from KSDE were the primary facilitators for the discussion and answered questions.

Board member comments and questions included the need for quantitative data, safeguards for accountability, selection of visitation teams members, monitoring of growth, districts' predictive and effective rates, general summary of ARC recommendation and next steps.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

The next State Board meeting is June 12 and 13, 2018 in Topeka.

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Jim Porter, Chairman

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Peggy Hill, Secretary