KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES
July 8, 1997

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gilmore called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 8, 1997, in the education building of the Kansas State Board of Education, 120 SE 10th Avenue in Topeka.

ROLL CALL

All members were present:

Steve Abrams
Mildred McMillon
Mary Douglass Brown
Wanda Morrison
Kevin Gilmore
I.B. "Sonny" Rundell
Scott Hill
Mandy Specht
Linda Holloway
Bill Wagnon

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Gilmore added to new business the appointment of a voting delegate and alternate at the NASBE 1997 Annual Business meeting. Dr. Abrams moved approval of the meeting agenda as amended; seconded by Mrs. Brown, motion carried by unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Holloway requested that page 3 of the June 11 minutes be changed to include her report on the School for the Blind graduation and CSPD conference she could not attend. Dr. Abrams moved approval of the minutes as corrected; seconded by Dr. Wagnon, and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

INTRODUCTION

David Monical from Washburn University introduced Dr. Jerry Farley, the new Washburn University

President. Dr. Farley gave the Board an overview of Washburn and issues they are planning to address.

GRADUATION STANDARDS TASK FORCE

Gary Price, Superintendent, USD 308, Hutchinson, gave a progress report to the Board from the Graduation Standards Task Force. The agreements July 8, 1997 the Task Force has reached are that state high school graduation standards should:

- apply to all students,
- enhance the Carnegie unit to make clear what students should know and be able to do when they graduate from the K-12 education system,
- be incorporated into the Quality Performance Accreditation system, and
- be centered around statements of standards and expectations and on performance criteria in academic skills areas.

The final report will be presented to the State Board in December 1997.

INFORMATION ON OFFICE FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE AMERICA AND AMERICACORPS GRANT COMPETITION

Pat Kells, Kansas Office for Community Service, presented information on the Learn and Serve America and AmeriCorps grant competition for 1997-98.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES AND AEOP EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Lanny Gaston, Director, Personnel Services, introduced new employees of the agency, and Theresa Cote, Secretary, introduced Sheryl Bieker as the AEOP employee of the year.

CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM

Chairman Gilmore opened the Forum at 10:47 a.m. Eighteen people addressed the Board:

- Jim Edwards, Kansas Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Mickey Bogart, teacher, Manhattan High School
- Melissa Hancock
- Frances Irelan, elementary teacher, Manhattan
- Jeff Prelogar, Chair, QPA Advisory Council
- Sarah Meadows, teacher, Topeka
- Shelly Perry, teacher, Hugoton Elementary
- Diane Feeley, principal, Overland Park
- Anna Jones, teacher, Overland Park
- Susan Gronquist, teacher, Alma Elementary

- Eleanor Lowe
- Larry Spotts, teacher, Olathe South High
- Wilfred Miller, Topeka resident
- Dawn Olney, parent, Prairie Village
- Shawn Kovacik, teacher, Mission Trail Elementary
- Owen Hensen, retired educator
- Robert Height, Burlington board member
- Marceta Reilly, superintendent, Mayetta
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Chairman Gilmore closed the Forum at 11:40 a.m. and called a five-minute break.

APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES ON THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS ADVISORY BOARD

Dr. Phil Bennett, Coordinator, Teacher Education, presented information on three vacancies existing on the Teaching and School Administration Professional Standards Advisory Board. The State Board voted by signed ballot and Linda Lilja was selected on the first ballot. Mrs. Morrison made the motion to appoint Linda Lilja to the Professional Standards Advisory Board; seconded by Mrs. Specht, motion carried by unanimous vote. Three more ballots were conducted. No further candidates received a majority vote. No further appointments were made.

APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES ON THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

Dr. Phil Bennett, Coordinator, Teacher Education, presented information on nominees to fill vacancies on the Professional Practices Commission. The Board voted by signed ballots. Dr. Abrams made the motion to appoint Shelly Perry and Margaret Caison to the Practices Commission to fill the teacher positions, seconded by Mr. Rundell; motion carried by unanimous vote. Dr. Abrams made the motion to reappoint Elizabeth Reust as the superintendent representative on the Practices Commission, seconded by Mrs. Morrison; motion carried by unanimous vote.

PROPOSED KSDE REVISED MOTORCYCLE SAFETY REGULATION

Rod Bieker, General Counsel, presented the proposed revised motorcycle safety regulation and asked the Board to approve submittal to the Department of Administration and Attorney General for review. Mr. Hill made the motion to amend the regulation to revise item 6 to strike reference to on-street instruction and eliminate item 7, seconded by Dr. Abrams; motion failed with a 5 to 5 vote. Voting "no" were: Mrs. McMillon, Mrs. Morrison, Mr. Rundell, Mrs. Specht, and Dr. Wagnon. Mr. Rundell made a motion to approve the submission of the proposed revised regulation to the Department of Administration and Attorney General, seconded by Mrs. Morrison; motion carried by a 9 to 1 vote.

LONG-RANGE STATE ASSESSMENT PLANNING

The State Board discussed long-range state assessment planning. All members presented some of their preferences and what they want in a state assessment. This discussion will continue at the Board retreat August 8-9 and at the August State Board Meeting.

Chairman Gilmore called a five minute break at 2:20 p.m.

EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONS' AND ADVOCATES' SUGGESTIONS FOR 1999 BUDGET

The following education organizations and advocates made suggestions for the 1999 budget: Mark Tallman, Kansas Association of School Boards; Gerald Henderson and Kent Hurn, United School Administrators of Kansas; Peg Dunlap, Kansas-NEA; Sheila Frahm, Charles Carlsen, and Betty Stevens, Kansas Association of Community Colleges; Jacque Oakes, Schools for Quality Education; John Strickler, Kansas Advisory Council for Environmental Education; Angie Lewis, Parent Education Program (Parents as Teachers); Nancy Lindberg and Loreen McMillan, Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom; Noel Ary, Kansas Heritage Center; Diane Gjerstad, USD 259, Wichita; Elma Broadfoot and Carol Woodruff, Communities in Schools of Kansas; and Bill Berry, Kansas Association of AVTS.

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

William Daugherty, Kansas State School for the Blind and Gerald Johnson, Kansas State School for the Deaf presented their 1999 budget requests. Dale Dennis, Deputy Commissioner, began his review of the Fiscal Year 1999 budget allocations. The Board requested he continue this item after the Executive Session.

SET STUDENT AND BUILDING STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1996-97

Dr. Sharon Freden presented information on setting the individual student standards of excellence in mathematics, reading, and science and the building standards of excellence for the state science assessment and for the total score on the state reading assessment for the 1996-97 school year. Dr. Wagnon made the motion that the State Board set the individual student standards of excellence for the state assessments in mathematics, reading, and science as recommended by staff; seconded by Mrs. Morrison; motion carried by unanimous vote. Dr. Wagnon made the motion that the State Board set building standards of excellence for the state science assessment and for the total score on the state reading assessment as recommended by staff; seconded by Mrs. Specht, motion carried by unanimous vote.

VISITING SCHOLAR CERTIFICATES

Dr. Abrams made the motion that the State Board grant the request received from Richard Harrison to renew his visiting scholar certificate for the 1997-98 school year to work at the Southeast Kansas Education Service Center as a behavior analyst and member of a technical assistance team; seconded by Mrs. Holloway, motion carried by unanimous vote. Dr. Abrams made the motion that the State Board approved the request of Brenda Choate for a visiting scholar certificate to teach instrumental and vocal music in grades 5-12 for Haviland USD 474 for the 1997-98 school year; seconded by Mrs. Brown, motion carried by a 6 to 4 vote. Voting "no" were: Mrs. McMillon, Mr. Rundell, Mrs. Specht, and Dr. Wagnon.

CERTIFICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE

Dr. Abrams made the motion that the State Board of Education accept the findings and recommendations of the Certification Review Committee; seconded by Mr. Hill, motion carried by unanimous vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Abrams made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Mr. Hill, motion carried by unanimous vote.

IN THE CONSENT AGENDA, THE BOARD:

- Received monthly and annual personnel report.
- Confirmed appointments to special project positions.
- Approved school construction plans: Shawnee Mission, USD 512 (3); Moundridge, USD 423; Arkansas City, USD 470; Jayhawk, USD 346; Durham-Hillsboro-Lehigh, USD 410; Lakin Mennonite School, Lakin; Centre, USD 397; Buhler, USD 313; and Scott County, USD 466.
- Approved modification of the agreement for East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education Interlocal #614.
- Approved the petition for McPherson, USD 418 to establish a charter school.
- Received Annual Report of the State Advisory Council for Special Education for FY 97.
- Approved requests for waivers of special education regulations from ANW Cooperative #603 and Eureka, USD 389.
- Approved recommendations for funding of 1997-98 Educate America Act Year Two, Three and Four Local Reform and Preservice Teacher Education/Professional Development Subgrants.

- Approved inservice plans for Norton, USD 211; Lebo-Waverly, USD 243; LaCrosse, USD 395; Otis-Bison, USD 403, and Pawnee Heights, USD 496.
- Approved accreditation status for: Olathe, USD 333 - Olathe East Sr High; Haysville, USD 261 - Campus High Haysville; Clay Center, USD 379 - Clay Center High; Louisburg, USD 416 - Louisburg Elementary; and Galena, USD 499 - Galena High.
- Approved articulation agreements between Northwest Kansas Technical School and Colby

Community College and between Northeast Kansas Area Technical School and Highland Community College.

- Issued a certificate of approval to these proprietary schools: Real Estate Pre School, LLC in Kansas City, MO; Office Edge Learning Center in Overland Park, KS; Kansas Association of Realtors in Topeka, KS; Topeka Institute of Real Estate in Topeka, KS; DeVry Institute of Technology in Kansas City, MO; DeVry Institute of Technology in Phoenix, AR; DeVry Institute of Technology in Irving, TX; New Horizons in Overland Park, KS; and Universal Technical Institute (Branch) in Houston, TX.
- Approved the proposed additional grants for Kansas Internships for instructors in area vocational schools and community colleges: Larry Briand, Beloit at Southwest Truck Parts and North Central Kansas Technical College; Jeffrey Huffman, Beloit at Cooper's NAPA and North Central Kansas Technical College; Dale Goheen, Downs at Carey Trucking and North Central Kansas Technical College; and Dale Strickler, Concordia at Sothers and Sothers and North Central Kansas Technical College.
- Issued a 1997 commercial driver training school license for: Drive-Right School of Manhattan in Manhattan, KS
- Approved grant awards for Adult Education for Fiscal Year 1998.
- Approved the applications for funding of Carl Perkins Tech Prep Continuation grants for FY 1998.
- Approved requests for authority to hold an election on the question of issuing bonds over the school district's bond debt limitation in Olathe, USD 233 and Leavenworth, USD 453.
- Received the preliminary review of the School Food Service Administrative Expense Funds.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Morrison made the motion to appoint Kevin Gilmore as the voting delegate at the NASBE 1997 Annual business meeting and Steve Abrams as the alternate; seconded by Mr. Rundell, motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mrs. Morrison made a motion to continue administering the current state assessment this year as planned in reading, math, and writing in districts that chose to administer them so districts could have some direction and continuity; seconded by Mrs. McMillon. Dr. Abrams made a motion to table the assessment issue until the next State Board meeting and vote on it next month; seconded by Mrs. Brown, motion did not pass on a 5 to 5 vote. Voting "no" were: Mrs. McMillon, Mrs. Morrison, Mr. Rundell, Mrs. Specht, and Dr. Wagnon. The Board returned to Mrs. Morrison's original and the motion did not pass on a 5 to 5 vote. Voting "no" were: Dr. Abrams, Mrs. Brown, Mr. Gilmore, Mr. Hill, and Mrs. Holloway.

Mrs. McMillon announced that she had been notified that she was selected as the new treasurer of ECS for the coming year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Rundell made the motion to go into Executive Session for a period of one hour starting at 5:45 p.m., for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel; seconded by Mr. Hill, motion carried. At 6:45 p.m. the meeting was resumed and Mr. Rundell made the motion to extend the Executive Session for 15 minutes to discuss this same matter; seconded by Mr. Hill, motion carried. Chairman Gilmore reopened the meeting and asked Mr. Dennis to continue with the Legislative Issues.

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Mr. Dennis continued working with the State Board to get tentative approval to the following budget request for FY 1999 at level C with enhancement package: increase base state aid per pupil by $75, or to $3,745; supplemental state aid, fund current law; school district finance fund, estimated recapture amount under current law; capital improvement fund, funds current law; inservice education aid, provides an estimated state proration of approximately 75% ($2,000,000); juvenile detention facilities, no change, funds increased expenditures due to recommended increase in base state aid per pupil amount; community college credit hour aid, increase credit hour aid by 4% and provides 2 for 1 funding for vocational credit hours for all community colleges ($4,700,000); community college out-district aid, eliminates 64/72 academic hour limitation ($1,525,000); community college general state aid, no change; technology equipment grants to community colleges and Washburn; doubles the amount appropriated for the current year ($2,000,000); school food assistance fund, no change; aid to AVTS for instructional equipment, no change; technology and intern grants to AVTS and community colleges, no change; special Page 8 education services aid, funds 90% of estimated excess costs ($26,624,271); postsecondary aid for vocational education, funds increase of 2%, ($502,438); adult basic education, no change; educable deaf-blind program, no change, Kansas FD for agriculture grant, no change; Cultural Heritage Center, doubles the amount appropriate for the current year; environmental education grants, eliminates appropriation; innovative programs, no Page change; parent education program, funds inflationary costs and provides $25,000 to complete a study to determine the effectiveness of the program ($107,500); technology grants to USDs, provides $11.5 million to purchase up-to-date technology equipment and $2,025,000 for direct internet access in all schools ($13,525,000); KPERS employer contribution, assumes a 3.5% increase in salaries based on the recommended $75 increase in the base state aid per pupil amount ($591,225); and state operations, estimate as of 7/11/97 ($172,070).

Chairman Gilmore called a recess for the day at 9:40 p.m.

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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July 9, 1997

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gilmore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 1997, in the education building of the Kansas State Board of Education in Topeka.

ROLL CALL

Members present:

Steve Abrams
Wanda Morrison
Mary Douglass Brown
I.B. "Sonny" Rundell
Kevin Gilmore
Mandy Specht
Scott Hill
Bill Wagnon
Linda Holloway

Member Absent:

Mildred McMillon

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Abrams made the motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Mrs. Specht, and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN

Dr. Andy Tompkins, Commissioner, introduced Dr. Harold Hodgkinson, Center for Demographic Policy, Washington, D.C. Dr. Hodgkinson gave a report on the demographics of Kansas, America, and the world. He presented a written report.

FY 1998 AVTS TUITION AND FEE SCHEDULE

Dr. Merlyne Hines-Starr, Team Leader, Community Colleges and Community Education Team, presented the FY 1998 Tuition and Fee Schedule for students attending an area vocational technical school/technical college. Dr. Abrams made the motion the State Board of Education approve the FY 1998 tuition and fee schedules for the eleven area vocational technical schools/technical colleges; seconded by Mr. Rundell, motion carried by a unanimous vote.

1997-98 TECHNOLOGY GRANT REQUESTS FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND WASHBURN UNIVERSITY

Mr. Dennis presented the 1997-98 technology grant requests for community colleges and Washburn University. The 1997 Legislature appropriated $1,000,000 to be distributed to community colleges and Washburn University for the purchase of technology equipment. Mr. Hill made the motion to approve the 1997-98 technology grant requests for the community colleges and Washburn University as per the recommendations of the hearing committee; seconded by Mrs. Morrison; motion carried with 7 to 1 vote, with one abstention. Dr. Wagnon abstained. (Mrs. McMillon was absent Wednesday).

STATE BOARD SECRETARY APPOINTMENT

Dr. Wagnon made the motion to appoint Penny Plamann to the position of Secretary, State Board of Education, effective July 28, 1997, at an annual salary of $27,000; seconded by Mrs. Brown, motion carried by unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF BOARD TRAVEL

Members reviewed the composite travel request list and made several amendments. Dr. Abrams made a motion to approve the Board requests for travel as amended; seconded by Mrs. Brown, motion carried by unanimous vote.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Mr. Gilmore gave an update on the Board retreat. Discussion was held on whether the Board needed a facilitator for the retreat and Dr. Wagnon asked that the item of "core curriculum" be added to the retreat agenda.

Mr. Dan Biles presented an update on litigation. Mr. Rundell made a motion to approve payment of services and expenses to Mr. Biles in his capacity as Attorney for the Board, according to his itemized statement; seconded by Dr. Abrams, motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mr. Hill reported on a meeting that Dr. Tompkins, Mr. Dennis and he had with the Governor regarding recommendations to the legislature.

Dr. Abrams gave a report on his NASBE meeting in which they discussed the structure of NASBE and IDEA Reauthorization by Congress .

Dr. Tompkins reported on:

- Universal Service - E-Rate,
- IDEA Reauthorization,
- School to Work, and
    - he will be attending an ECS meeting in Providence, Rhode Island and the Council of Chief State School Officers meeting in Oak Park, Illinois.

Chairman Gilmore adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

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Kevin P. Gilmore	Nancy R. Gilchrist
Chairman	Interim Board Secretary