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SUMMARY OF THE OCTOBER 2022 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MTG

Action

- Approved 3 public school district ESSER II change requests, 9 ESSER III expenditure plan applications and 7 ESSER III change requests as recommended by the Task Force for use of federal COVID-19 relief funds.
- Approved proposal for the Kansas Purple Star School Designation.
- Approved recommendations amending the Kansas State Board of Education Guidelines and Policies.
- In two separate votes, the Board approved all items on the consent agenda.

Presentations

- Annual Reports were provided by Commissioner of Education Randy Watson, KSHSAA Executive Director Bill Faflick, Kansas State School for the Blind Superintendent Jon Harding, Kansas School for the Deaf Luanne Barron, and Shane Carter, KSDE Director of Teacher Licensure.
- Ayanna Hensley, Miss Kansas 2022, gave a presentation to the Board outlining the obstacles she overcame to ultimately become Miss Kansas and a successful college graduate.
- The 2022 Kansas Teacher of the Year team gave a report of their activities over the past year, including the benefits they reaped from participating in this program.
- Other agenda items included receipt of proposed ARC recommendations for KESA; receipt of recommendations for substitute licensure; and receipt of a proposed statement for Board support/approval from the Kansas Advisory Council on Indigenous Education – Working Group.

Discussions

- The Board continued their discussion, which began in September, on the proposed updates to Kansas's graduation requirements. The discussion will continue in November.
- The Board held a working lunch/workshop on the Kansas Education System for Accreditation (KESA).

Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, November 9 and Thursday, November 10 in Topeka.

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