Kansas State Board of Education – July 9 & 10, 2024 Meeting

Action

- Action on Budget Recommendations to the Governor

Per Pupil Funding
Mrs. Mah moved to recommend the funding necessary to implement the Base Aid for Student Excellence (BASE) as established in state law and approved by the Kansas Supreme Court estimated to be $5,618 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mrs. Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-1. Mr. Zeck voted no.

Supplemental State Aid (LOB)
Mrs. Arnold moved to recommend the funding necessary to provide Supplemental State Aid as established in state law estimated to be $625,000,000 for the 2025-2026 school year. Dr. Horst seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-1. Mr. Zeck voted no.

Bond and Interest State Aid
Mrs. Mah moved to recommend the funding necessary to provide Capital Improvement State Aid as established in state law estimated to be $207,500,000 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mrs. Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

Capital Outlay State Aid
Dr. Horst moved to recommend the funding necessary to provide Capital Outlay State Aid as established in state law estimated to be $105,000,000 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mrs. Hopkins seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-1. Mr. Zeck voted no.

Juvenile Detention Facilities
Mrs. Mah moved to recommend the funding necessary for Juvenile Detention Facilities as established in state law estimated to be $5,060,528 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mrs. Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

Special Education
3-year option
Mrs. Mah moved to recommend the funding necessary to provide Special Education State Aid at 92% of excess costs as established in state law with a three-year phase-in with an estimated additional cost of $87,574,215 for the 2025-2026 school year and each of the next two years. Dr. Horst seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-1. Mr. Zeck voted no.
CTE Transportation
Dr. Horst moved to recommend the funding necessary to provide 100% reimbursement for Career and Technical Education Transportation with an estimated additional cost of $517,662 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mrs. Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-1. Mrs. Dombrosky voted no.

Mentor Teacher Program
Mrs. Mah moved to recommend the funding necessary to fully fund the Mentor Teacher Program as established in state law with an estimated additional cost of $1,000,000 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mr. McNiece seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

Professional Development
Mrs. Arnold moved to recommend the funding necessary to fully fund Professional Development State Aid as established in state law with an estimated additional cost of $3,855,000 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mr. McNiece seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-2. Mrs. Dombrosky and Mr. Zeck voted no.

National Board Certification
Dr. Horst moved to recommend the funding necessary for the National Board Certification Program as established in state law estimated to be $360,693 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mr. McNiece seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-3. Mrs. Dombrosky, Mr. Zeck and Mrs. Hopkins voted no.

School Lunch
Mrs. Arnold moved to recommend the funding necessary to meet federal maintenance of effort requirements for School Lunch estimated to be $2,510,486 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mr. McNiece seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-2. Mrs. Dombrosky and Mr. Zeck voted no.

Parents as Teachers
Mrs. Arnold moved to recommend funding Parents as Teachers at the current level. Mr. McNiece seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-1-1. Mr. Zeck voted no. Mrs. Dombrosky abstained.

Pre-K Pilot
Mrs. Arnold moved to recommend funding the Pre-K Pilot at current the level. Mr. McNiece seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-2. Mr. Zeck and Mrs. Dombrosky voted no.
Safe and Secure Schools
Mr. McNiece moved to recommend the funding necessary to fully fund the Kansas Safe and Secure Schools Grant Program with an estimated additional cost of $10,000,000 for the 2025-2026 school year. Dr. Horst seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0-2. Mr. Zeck and Mrs. Dombrosky both abstained.

E-Rate
Mrs. Arnold moved to recommend the funding necessary to replace State Fiscal Recovery Funds to provide the state match for school district applications for the federal E-Rate Broadband Infrastructure program estimated to be $1,000,000 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mr. McNiece seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-1. Mrs. Dombrosky voted no.

KSDE Operating Budget
Mrs. Mah moved to recommend the funding necessary to replace funding from KBOR for the KSDE's administrative work in supporting school districts with the E-Rate funding process estimated to be $70,000 for the 2025-2026 school year. Mrs. Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-1-1. Mrs. Dombrosky voted no. Mr. Zeck abstained.

(for the following motion, it was suggested that the legislative priorities include this recommendation for Safe and Secure schools funding) To request additional funding for the KSDE Agency Operating Budget for the creation of a new School Safety Auditor position at an estimated cost of $90,000.

Mrs. Arnold moved to request additional funding for the KSDE Agency Operating Budget for the addition of six FTE staff members needed to comply with new reporting and accountability requirements approved as part of House sub for Senate Bill 387 at an estimated cost of $626,500. Mr. McNiece seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-1-1. Mrs. Dombrosky voted no. Mr. Zeck abstained.

State School Board Member Compensation
(Option 2)
Mrs. Arnold moved to recommend changes to state statute to make compensation rate for members of the Kansas State Board of Education equal to the compensation rate for members of the Kansas Legislature while they are in session with an initial estimated cost increase of $170,000. Mr. McNiece seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-1-1. Mr. Zeck voted no. Mrs. Dombrosky abstained.

• Action on Appointments to Professional Standards Board
Dr. Horst moved that the Kansas State Board of Education act on the following recommended new appointments to the Professional Standards Board, effective upon appointment through June 30, 2027.
Dr. Kelly Feldman to her first term representing Higher Education (Public).
Michelle Smotherman to her first term representing Administrator, Spec. Ed.
Kristin Schmitz to her first term representing Administrator, Nonpublic School.
Mrs. Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

- **Action on the proposed amendment to accreditation regulation regarding FAFSA**
  Mrs. Hopkins moved that the Kansas State Board of Education approve the submission of an amendment to K.A.R. 91-31-35 through the formal regulatory adoption process, striking the requirement as presented. Mrs. Dombrosky seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-3. Mr. McNiece, Mr. Porter, and Mrs. Arnold voted no.

- **Action on KESA school improvement and accreditation model**
  Mrs. Arnold moved that the Kansas State Board of Education approve the proposed KESA 2.0 actionable model as presented today to go into effect beginning with the 2024-2025 school year with updates on a quarterly basis. Mr. Porter seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-2. Mrs. Dombrosky and Mr. Zeck voted no.

**Receive**
- Narcan Policy at KSSDB (Superintendents Barron and Harding)
- Redetermination recommendations for conditionally accredited systems (Jay Scott)
- Recommendations of the ERC for higher Ed accreditation and program approvals (Dr. Chmidling)
- CTE 2023-24 Cluster (Pathways) Review (Natalie Clark)

**Consent Calendar**
Mr. Porter moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Mrs. Arnold seconded. Motion carried 9-0.
Personnel Report
Local professional development plans
Licensure Review Committee
Visiting scholar licenses
Act on request from USD 255 Ellinwood, bond election, capital improvement state aid KSD assurances, Part VI-B funds for curriculum and assessment coordinator Kansas Youth Transition Network contract from 2023 Disability Innovation funds

**Taken off the consent and voted on separately**
c. KIAS suite ongoing maintenance and development
l. Approve contract for Kansas Youth Transition Network
Mrs. Arnold moved to approve items c and l. Mr. Porter seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-2-1. Mr. Zeck and Mrs. Dombrosky voted no. Mrs. Hopkins abstained.
b. SEAC member continuation and new member approval
Mrs. Hopkins moved to approve item b. Mrs. Arnold seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

i. Safe and secure school grants for 2024-2025
j. Sprout Creative contract for webpage and digital design to update CTE
Mr. McNiece moved to approve items I and j. Mrs. Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-2. Mrs. Dombrosky and Mr. Zeck voted no.