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SUMMARY OF THE JANUARY 2020 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MTG

Board Action

- Approved the report and accepted the recommendations of the Kansas Blue Ribbon Task Force on Bullying; discussed next steps.
- Tabled recommendations of the Professional Practices Commission until February.
- Accepted the plans of redesign schools recently identified as a “Go” for launch. They are Burrton K-12 (USD 369), Halstead-Bentley Primary (USD 440), and Rolla K-12 (USD 217).
- Adopted a Resolution establishing the 2020 calendar of Board meeting dates, time and location.
- By consensus, agreed to add the following to the Board’s legislative platform: Support concept of public-private partnerships for the purpose of meeting student needs.

Recognitions and Presentation Topics

- Dr. Cory Gibson, Valley Center USD 262, honored as 2020 Superintendent of the Year.
- Olathe and Dodge City districts’ shared highlights of year-one grant implementation for the Literacy Network of Kansas, a federal striving readers initiative.
- Strategic planning progress report on work to strengthen the Kansas early childhood system.
- Updates to the Kansas model standards for handwriting.
- Annual report from the Special Education Advisory Council.
- Student leadership remarks as part of Citizenship Day activities with officers of the Career and Technical Student Organizations.

Discussions

- Recommendations for implementation of the Computer Science standards in Kansas schools.
- State plan for federal Perkins V (Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act)
- Revisions to educator preparation program standards for health education & physical education.
- ACT WorkKeys and career pathway readiness.
- Updates to Kansas Education Systems Accreditation regulations.

Next Meeting – Feb. 11 and 12, 2020 in Topeka.

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