SUMMARY OF THE JULY 2022 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MTG

Action

• Approved public school district ESSER II change requests and ESSER III expenditure plans as recommended by the Task Force for use of federal COVID-19 relief funds (fully approved 13 ESSER II change requests - 16 ESSER III applications and one ESSER III change request).

• Approved the 2021 National Standards for Personal Finance Financial Literacy Standards as presented at the June Board meeting.

• Approved the recommendations of the Accreditation Review Council and awarded the status of accredited to USD 217 Rolla, USD 218 Elkhart, USD 225 Fowler, USD 251 North Lyon County, USD 254 Barber County North, USD 257 Iola, USD 281 Graham County, USD 285 Cedar Vale, USD 286 Chautauqua County Community, USD 321 Kaw Valley, USD 325 Phillipsburg, USD 352 Goodland, USD 357 Belle Plaine, USD 371 Montezuma, USD 372 Silver Lake, USD 374 Sublette, USD 384 Blue Valley, USD 394 Rose Hill, USD 404 Riverton, USD 405 Lyons, USD 411 Goessel, USD 415 Hiawatha, USD 421 Lyndon, USD 426 Pike Valley, USD 429 Troy, USD 461 Neodesha, USD 493 Columbus, Z0029-8572 Hayden, and Z0031 Wichita Diocese.

• Approved Licensure recommendations to allow any person, who has retired into the KPERS system after a career of teaching, whose license has expired, to receive a transitional teaching license for the 2022-2023 school year upon submitting an application and successfully passing a KSDE background check.

• Approved the proposed amendments to the Emergency Safety Intervention (ESI) regulations.

• Approved the following State Board budget recommendations to the Governor for FY 2024:
  o recommend amount of Base Aid for Student Excellence (BASE) as presented for 2023-24 at $5,006. (BASE amount established in state law and approved by the Kansas Supreme Court).
  o recommend amount of Supplemental State Aid as presented to fund the law.
  o recommend Capital Improvement State Aid estimate as presented to fund the law.
o recommend amount allocated for Capital Outlay State Aid to fund the law.
o recommend amount allocated for Juvenile Detention Facilities as presented to fund the law.
o recommend a five-year phase-in for Special Education State Aid at an additional cost of
$76,829,711 each of the five years to reach 92 percent of excess costs, which is current law.
o recommend funding current law for Transportation (2.5 miles) at no additional cost.
o recommend funding Career and Technical Education Transportation at 100 percent (2019-
2020 level) at an estimated cost of $1,482,338.
o recommend fully funding Mentor Teacher Program at an additional cost of $1 million.
  recommend fully funding Professional Development at an additional cost of $1.9 million
o recommend funding the National Board Certification scholarships for teachers at current
level.
o Recommend meeting federal maintenance of effort requirements for School Lunch at no
additional cost.
o support KS Children’s Cabinet recommendation for an additional $1,300,337 allocation for
Parents As Teachers
o support amount allocated as presented to fund Pre-K Pilot at current level.
o No recommendation was made for Discretionary Grant funding
o No action was taken to fund the Juvenile Transitional Crisis Pilot (Beloit)
o recommend additional cost of $1 million which will replace ARPA SFRF with SGF for Kansas
Safe and Secure Schools
o recommend expanding Mental Health Intervention Team Pilot Program in 2023-24 at an
additional cost of $3 million to expand program.
o recommend funding in the amount of $35,000 EACH for Communities in Schools and Kansas
Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom.

- In two separate votes, the Board approved all items on the consent agenda.

- Approved the following eighteen schools for Redesign launch:
  \textit{Apollo Schools}
  eCademy, South Breeze, Frank Layden, Rossville Jr/Sr High, Hillcrest, Perry High School, Santa Fe
  Trail High School, Maple Hill
  \textit{Apollo II Schools}
  Lincoln, Village
  \textit{Apollo III Schools}
  Park, Timmerman, Graber, Hutchinson Middle School 8, Morgan, Whittier, Lowell
  Winfield Early Learning Center

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Reports and Discussions

• Melissa Rooker, the Executive Director of the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund provided an update to the State Board of Education on the "All in for Kansas Kids" work; which is funded by the three-year renewal of the federal Pre-School Development Grant B-5. She also gave a brief overview of the Kindergarten Readiness subgrants, the ASQ, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library and other projects of interest.

• Elizabeth Madden and Katie Morris, Board Members for the Kansas Art Education Association, presented to the State Board how essential the visual arts are as part of a well-rounded education. They maintain that visual arts provides opportunities for students to develop communication, collaboration, creativity, critical thinking and problem solving which are essential, as outlined by the Partnership for 21st Century Learning, for increasingly complex life and work environments in today’s world. They asked the Board to not reduce the Fine Arts credit requirement for graduation.

• Laura Downey, the Executive Director of the Kansas Association for Conservation and Environmental Education (KACEE), provided the State Board of Education with an update on environmental education programs and projects in Kansas. She provided an update on the Kansas Green Schools program, the microcredentials offered, a natural resource leadership summit pilot in Garden City, KS and other upcoming projects and events.

• Beth Fultz, Assistant Director for Career Standards and Assessment Services, and Dr. Neal Kingston, Director of the Achievement and Assessment Institute (AAI), presented performance level and cut score recommendations for the grade 10 math assessment. The performance levels and cut score recommendations were developed during a virtual standards-setting meeting on June 29 and 30. Kansas high school math educators were led through the standard setting process by staff at The Achievement and Assessment Institute (AAI) at the University of Kansas as detailed in the assessment contract. Dr Kingston explained the process used to determine performance levels and cut scores. These recommendations will be on the agenda for action by the Board in August.

• Dr. Randy Watson, Commissioner, and Hayley Steinkle (Senior Education Research analyst) continued their presentation to the Board on the Kansans CAN Success tour data (originally provided to the State Board of Education in January 2022) and led Board members in a discussion about the findings of the three research teams that examined the tour data independently: R12

Kansas leads the world in the success of each student.
Comprehensive Center (McRel), Kansas State University and the Kansas State Department of Education. The three entities collaborated and by consensus, identified five core themes that Kansans feel are necessary in supporting schools' needs in producing successful high school graduates:

- Community Relations and Engagement
- Educator-Centered Supports
- System-wide Needs
- Leadership and Policy
- Enhance Student Learning and Success

**Recognition**

- Caleb Smith, Principal of Newton High School (USD 373 Newton), was honored for being named the 2022 Kansas Principal of the Year.

**Next Regular Meeting** – Tuesday, August 9 and Wednesday, August 10 in Topeka.