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## SUMMARY OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS – MARCH

### Special Board Meeting March 12 – Board Action

- In the event that local or state health officials require closure of a school in Kansas because of COVID 19, the State Board gave the Commissioner of Education authority to waive specific accreditation requirements. The Board will review the situation at its next regular meeting on April 14.

### Regular Monthly Meeting – Board Action

- Approved the History, Government and Social Studies Standards.
- Adopted the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the Professional Practices Commission on six licensure cases – five issuances and one suspension.
- Voted to remand PPC case 19-PPC-50 back to the Professional Practices Commission to receive further evidence and to make any new findings as may be appropriate.
- Accepted the Special Education Advisory Council and Transition Work Group report, to include the five sub-committee reports, and initial implementation plan for addressing the secondary transition of students following the recommendations of the Transition Task Force.
- Approved issuing a letter of support to KSDE for its Early Phase grant application to evaluate and scale school redesign in Kansas.
- Adopted recommendations of the Board Policy Committee for updating Policies and Guidelines.

### Recognitions and Discussions

- Recognized Caryl Bowden, a seventh-grade mathematics teacher at Andover Central Middle School, as the 2019 Milken Educator Award winner.
- Recognized the National PTA School of Excellence recipients from Kansas. These were schools from USD 500 Kansas City Kansas, USD 512 Shawnee Mission, and USD 497 Lawrence.
- Discussed recommendations from the E-Cigarette/Vaping Task Force regarding disciplinary best practices and resources for cessation programs.
- Received an update on Kansas Education Systems Accreditation and work of the Accreditation Review Council.
- Student guest presenters were from Kansas School for the Deaf and Oakley High School.

Next Meeting – April 14 in Topeka; April 15 visits to School for the Deaf in Olathe and School for the Blind in Kansas City.

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