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SUMMARY OF THE OCTOBER 2021 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MTG

Action

- Accepted recommendations of the Commissioner's Task Force on ESSER and EANS Distribution of Money and approved public school district expenditure plans and change requests for ESSER II federal COVID-19 relief funds as presented. (16 district plans; 12 change requests)
- In addition, approved private school expenditure plans for EANS II federal COVID-19 relief funds pending federal approval of poverty percentage request.
- Accepted recommendations of the Accreditation Review Council to award the status of Accredited to USD 409 Atchison, and to Bishop Miege High, St. Ann Elementary and Holy Cross Catholic all of the Kansas City Archdiocese; and to award the status of Conditionally Accredited to USD 456 Marais Des Cygnes.
- Voted to revoke the licenses of individuals in cases 21-PPC-05 and 21-PPC-14; and to censure Licensee 21-PPC-09.
- Granted the parties' motion for Oral Argument regarding Case 21-PPC-01 with 15 minutes allotted to each side. Oral arguments will be heard at the November Board meeting.

Presentations

- Annual Reports were provided by KSHSAA Executive Director Bill Faflick, Commissioner of Education Randy Watson and KSDE Director of Teacher Licensure and Accreditation Mischel Miller. Their summaries of the past year, respectively, included new KSHSAA activities such as unified bowling and a revised sportsmanship policy; statewide challenges and celebrations in schools striving to meet State Board's outcomes; and licensure report on teacher vacancies.
- Perry-Lecompton USD 343 staff shared about their early childhood programs to meet the needs of the community and school while preparing students for kindergarten. Goddard USD 265 staff described their strategies for co-teaching in the early childhood classrooms.
- Kristin Brighton with HirePaths spoke about the educational campaign to assist parents in helping their students explore postsecondary career opportunities.

Discussion with Legislative Leaders

- State Board of Education members invited leaders of the legislative education committees to discuss the Board's proposed legislative positions and uncover common ground to benefit students of Kansas.

Next Meeting – Nov. 9 and 10 at the Landon State Office Bldg.

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