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March 11 Meeting

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KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2015

CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Jim McNiece called the monthly meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2015, in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas. He recognized special guests, including education students from Baker University.

ROLL CALL
The following Board members were present:
Kathy Busch
Carolyn Wims-Campbell
Sally Cauble

Deena Horst
Jim McNiece
Jim Porter

Steve Roberts
Janet Waugh
Ken Willard

Board member John Bacon was delayed.

STATE BOARD MISSION STATEMENT, MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Chairman McNiece read the Board Mission Statement. He then asked for a moment of silence after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH
Vice Chairman Wims-Campbell asked for a point of personal privilege to acknowledge that February is Black History Month. She shared some local history and personal experiences with the audience.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Mrs. Cauble moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0 with Mr. Bacon absent.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY MEETING MINUTES
Mr. Porter moved to approve the minutes of the January Board meeting. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0. Mr. Roberts expressed disappointment that the January minutes did not include his announced plan to personally write new math standards. He did not request that the minutes be amended, but that his plan be referenced in the February record.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT
Interim Commissioner Brad Neuenswander reported on the community conversations being held across the state in recent weeks. He mentioned several highlights such as the number of attendees, diversity of audience participants and topics of dialogue from the various locations. Mr. Neuenswander reported on a presentation he and incoming Commissioner Dr. Randy Watson gave to the House Education Committee during which they also talked about the community conversations and plans to share collected information once the statewide tour has concluded. Board members, who helped co-facilitate the conversations, individually reported on tour stops in their Board districts. Next, Mr. Neuenswander commented on the creation of a Career Pathways Coordinator to focus on alignment between high school and postsecondary. This will be a shared position with KSDE and the Kansas Board of Regents. He also described a new online opportunity for citizens to study and submit feedback on the current Kansas College and Career Ready Standards for math and English language arts in advance of the revision committee’s work. Content standards are reviewed in Kansas every seven years. Join the Conversation! was expected to launch Feb. 16.
CITIZENS’ OPEN FORUM
Chairman McNiece declared the Citizens’ Forum open at 10:37 a.m. Those speaking were: Crystal Davis of Emporia representing the Kansas Technical Assistance System Network about the positive benefits of consistent leadership; John Richard Schrock of Emporia about the shortage of science teachers; Kirk Fast of Ozawkie in support of proper funding for education; Cassandra Barton of Gardner representing Insight School of Kansas and Kansas Virtual Academy about the Legislative Post Audit on Virtual Schools and Programs. Chairman McNiece declared the Citizens’ Forum closed at 10:49 a.m.

Board member John Bacon arrived during the Citizens’ Open Forum.

RECOGNITION OF THE 2015 KANSAS TEACHER OF THE YEAR TEAM
Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis welcomed the 2015 Kansas Teacher of the Year Team. Honorees introduced themselves and each one shared remarks related to his or her specific area. These included addressing needs of students with autism, benefits of inquiry-based learning and increasing opportunities for students to apply knowledge in real-life settings. Those presenting were Kansas Teacher of the Year Shannon Ralph, a biology teacher at Dodge City High School (USD 443), and team members Beau Bragg, a physical education teacher at Bonner Springs Elementary School (USD 204); Abby Hedrick, a 7th-grade mathematics teacher at Paola Middle School (USD 368); Jennifer Hofferber, a special education teacher at Sunflower Intermediate School in Liberal (USD 480); Lisa Holt, a special education teacher at Country View Elementary School in Winfield (USD 465); Jamie McDaniel, a 5th-grade teacher at Sunflower Elementary School in Paola (USD 368); Dennis Munk, a physical education teacher at Campus High School in Wichita (USD 261); and Kimberly Nelson, a 6th-grade English language arts teacher at Robert E. Clark Middle School in Bonner Springs (USD 204).

At 11:41 a.m., the Chairman recessed the meeting for lunch until 1:30 p.m.

RECOGNITION OF KANSAS HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR
At 1:30 p.m., Chairman McNiece called the afternoon meeting to order. Cara Ledy was introduced as the 2014-15 Kansas High School Principal of the Year as named by the Kansas Association of Secondary School Principals. Mrs. Ledy is administrator at Wichita South High School (USD 259). She discussed her school’s emphasis on staff development and answered Board members’ questions about programs at Wichita South.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON THE ROSE STANDARDS
Board members learned more about the Rose Standards (also called capacities) from Mark Tallman, associate executive director for advocacy with the Kansas Association of School Boards. The Rose Standards were referenced in the Supreme Court’s decision in the school finance case for Kansas and are now being used as a benchmark for adequate or suitable funding. The Kansas Legislature adopted the seven capacities as state education goals. Mr. Tallman summarized information collected at KASB’s regional summits on the Rose Standards, explaining that they are not a radical change from current practices, but rather a broader description. He also shared historical information on the change in educational expectations related to the job market and projections for 2020. A time for questions and answers followed.

BREAK
The Board took a break from 2:40 to 2:50 p.m.

UPDATE ON STATE ASSESSMENTS AND ESEA REAUTHORIZATION
Dr. Marianne Perie with the Center for Educational Testing and Evaluation reported on the Jan. 29 Break KITE Day Two during which about 35,000 Kansas students along with students from 19 other
states simulated online testing conditions in advance of this spring’s state assessments. The opportunity to involve the state’s testing engine KITE helped determine and resolve local technical issues. Dr. Perie discussed the new field-tested multi-disciplinary performance tasks for math, training of teachers for hand scoring test items, and a third grade keyboarding study being conducted. She answered various questions from Board members. Next, Assistant Director of Career Standards and Assessment Services Beth Fultz reported on standards implementation review with the Educational Delivery Institute. She also discussed updates to the state’s current waiver renewal application in preparation for the March 15 deadline. Dr. Scott Smith added that one new section of the waiver will incorporate the Coalition of Innovative Districts’ proposed assessment schedule as a pilot. This would only be for the six districts in the Coalition.

Mr. McNiece then presented to Board members a draft letter for the state’s Congressional Delegation describing what Kansas advocates for testing options in the new ESEA reauthorization. Discussion occurred and suggestions were shared for revising the letter. Deputy Commissioner Brad Neuenswander provided a handout that compared current law with proposed federal legislation for ESEA reauthorization. Board members talked about select elements of both the House and Senate drafts. It was decided to resume this discussion on Wednesday.

The Board took a break from 4:25 to 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Bacon left the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

**LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

This scheduled agenda item was tabled until Wednesday’s meeting.

**ACTION ON SPECIFICATIONS FOR STATE BOARD ATTORNEY CONTRACT**

Mr. McNiece asked Board members to consider the specifications presented to them as preparation for the process to select the State Board of Education Attorney. The current contract expires June 30. Ms. Wims-Campbell moved to approve the specifications to be used in the Request for Proposal process for selecting the State Board of Education Attorney. Pursuant to state law, the RFP process will be conducted by the Kansas Department of Administration, Office Procurement and Contracts. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0 with Mr. Bacon absent.

**CONSENSUS AGENDA**

Mr. Roberts asked that consent item 14 d. (licensure waivers) be considered separately and then moved to approve the consent agenda excluding 14 d. Ms. Wims-Campbell seconded. During discussion, Mr. Willard asked to amend the motion to also separately vote on consent item 14 g. (bond elections). The motion was amended to approve the consent agenda excluding items 14 d. and 14 g. Mr. Roberts and Ms. Wims-Campbell accepted the amendment. Motion carried 9-0 with Mr. Bacon absent.

In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

- Received the monthly Personnel Report for January.
- Confirmed the unclassified special projects personnel appointments of Michael Jordan as Quality Assurance Technician on the Information Technology team effective Feb. 1, 2015 at an annual salary of $46,092.80; and Ryan Weir as Public Service Executive II on the Early Childhood, Special Education and Title Services team effective Feb. 1, 2015 at an annual salary of $53,414.40.
- Received the 2nd quarterly reports (FY 2015) from the Kansas State School for the Blind and the Kansas State School for the Deaf.
• Issued a Calendar Year 2015 license for a commercial driver training school to Horizon’s Driving Academy, Salina, valid until Dec. 31, 2015.

• Approved the recommendations of the Mathematics Partnership Review Committee for the new and additional funding for the 2015-16 Title II Part B Mathematics and Science Partnership Grants for the following applicants and award amounts: USD 501, $149,027, in partnership with Fort Hays State University and Westar Energy; Newman University, $123,000, in partnership with USD 461, USD 264, USD 490, USD 357, Diocese of Wichita Catholic Schools, Westar Energy and IBM; USD 259, $145,960, in partnership with Fort Hays State University and Exploration Place.

Authorized the Commissioner of Education to negotiate and

• enter into a contract with the Kansas Department of Agriculture for the purpose of completing on-site health inspections of unlicensed Summer Food Service Program meal preparation and service sites at the rate of $150 per inspection, not to exceed $19,500;

• continue an assessment development contract with the Center for Educational Testing and Evaluation in an amount not to exceed $5,800,000;

• enter into a contract with the Kansas Board of Regents to fund services of their newly created Career Pathways Coordinator, in a total amount not to exceed $166,667, effective March 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018.

SEPARATE ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Licensure Waivers — Mr. Porter moved to accept the recommendations for licensure waivers as presented. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0 with Mr. Bacon absent.

The licensure waiver recommendations, valid for one school year, are as follows: Adaptive Special Education – Charissa Simone, Doungchandany Lu, Malia Lindner, Michael Lear, Paul White, Susan Stauffer, Deborah Perdue, Erin Saunders, Jim Barthel, Julia Duncan, Tyson Scroggin, USD 259; Beatrice Sahlfeld, USD 273; David Hughes, USD 333; Michael Ragsdale, Cheryl Booth, Ryan Foxhoven, USD 345; Pawandeep Kaur, Jacey Juden, USD 353; Jessica Fairbanks, USD 368; Trisha Stover, USD 405; Amy Dale, USD 469; Allison Kern, Jason Longberg, Meghann Murtaugh, Juraj Trubiroha, Allison Stroh, Brandon Goodwin, Mary Green, Megan Kiefer, Melanie White, Novelette Osborne-Luster, USD 500; Anthony Wunder, James Collins, USD 501; Ann Smith, D0603. Adaptive Special Education (extension on the number of days on an emergency substitute license) — Emmanuel Adigun, D0605. Agriculture (extension on the number of days on an emergency substitute license) — Megan VanGordon, D0345. Chemistry — Jessica Kauffman, USD 259. Early Childhood Special Education — Keeley McVey, USD 500. Earth Space Science — Katherine Schaake, USD 259. Functional Special Education – Susan Bass, USD 231; Marie Wilson, Mary Elliott, Meghan Melchor, Ryan Bourque, Kelli Marion, Rhonda Zellers, Stephanie Moore, USD 259; Amanda Edwards, USD 469. Gifted — Laurel Nichols, USD 259. Physics — Lexie Baldwin, USD 259.

Bond Elections — Mrs. Cauble moved to authorize the following school districts to hold an election on the question of issuing bonds in excess of the district’s general bond debt limitation: USD 211 Norton, Norton County; USD 235, Uniontown, Bourbon County; USD 239, North Ottawa County, Ottawa County; USD 357, Belle Plaine, Sumner County; USD 404, Riverton, Cherokee County; USD 458, Basehor-Linwood, Leavenworth County; USD 495, Ft. Larned, Pawnee County. Mrs. Waugh seconded. During discussion, Mr. Willard asked to go on record that he supports a fix to an issue he considers to represent an open line in the state’s checkbook. Mrs. Cauble in making her motion supported allowing local voters in the school districts to have a say in their local control. Motion carried 7-0-2 with Mr. Roberts and Mr. Willard abstaining and Mr. Bacon absent.
RECESS
At 4:45 p.m., Chairman McNiece recessed Tuesday’s Board meeting until 9 a.m. Wednesday.

Board members were invited to join members of the House and Senate Education committees for dinner and to make acquaintance at the Topeka Country Club. State Board Attorney Mark Ferguson reminded Board members of the dialogue parameters associated with the Kansas Open Meeting Act.

There was no set agenda and no action was taken at the evening activity. Those in attendance from the State Board of Education were: Kathy Busch, Carolyn Wims-Campbell, Sally Cauble, Deena Horst, Jim McNiece, Jim Porter, Steve Roberts, Janet Waugh and Ken Willard.

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Jim McNiece, Chairman          Peggy Hill, Secretary
CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Jim McNiece called the Wednesday meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 9 a.m. on Feb. 11, 2015 in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas.

ROLL CALL
All members were present:
John Bacon
Kathy Busch
Carolyn Wims-Campbell
Sally Cauble
Deena Horst
Jim McNiece
Jim Porter
Steve Roberts
Janet Waugh
Ken Willard

APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA
Chairman McNiece announced recommended changes to the day’s agenda as follows: replace Item 4 with Legislative Matters, which was postponed from Tuesday; reschedule presentation on Diverse Student Populations in Kansas to the March meeting; add continued discussion of ESEA Reauthorization as Item 7 a., and add an action item as 7 b. for consideration of a waiver to USDA’s Interim Final Rule on Nutrition Standards for All Food Sold in School. Mrs. Cauble moved to approve the amended agenda. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-1 with Ms. Wims-Campbell in opposition.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS
Board members received a summary and status report of current education legislation in both the House and Senate from Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis. He explained specifics about many of the two dozen bills being monitored. Mr. Dennis also provided a printout showing the approximate financial impact of the Governor’s announced allotment for each school district. The allotment reduces general state aid for the 2014-15 school year by 1.5 percent. He then answered questions about specific bills and hearings.

UPDATE ON VIRTUAL SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS
Education Program Consultant Jessica Noble provided the Board with an update on virtual schools and programs as well as charter schools in Kansas. She explained the difference between charter and virtual schools, but her presentation was primarily on virtual schools. There are 94 virtual schools and programs in Kansas. She gave an overview of locations, enrollment figures, funding calculations and other statistics. In addition, Mrs. Noble reviewed the questions and findings outlined in the recent Legislative Post Audit report: K-12 Education: Reviewing Virtual School Costs and Student Performance. In the report, there was a comparison of the three models of virtual schools — full-time K-12, adult diploma completion and part-time K-12. A time for questions and answers followed.

The Board took a 10-minute break at 10:50 a.m.

ACTION ON INNOVATIVE DISTRICT APPLICATION FROM USD 364 MARYSVILLE
Mrs. Horst moved to approve the application of USD 364 Marysville and grant authority for the district to operate as an Innovative District working within the Bylaws of the Coalition of Innovative Districts Board. Mr. Bacon seconded. Motion carried 8-1 with Ms. Wims-Campbell in opposition and Mr. Willard absent for the vote.
ACTION ON NEW APPOINTMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

ACTION ON POLICY WAIVER FOR SCHOOLS IN OTHER TIME ZONES
The time restrictions listed in USDA’s Interim Final Rule on Nutrition Standards for All Food Sold in School affects Kansas schools in the Mountain Time Zone when coordinating events with other Kansas schools in the Central Time Zone. Mrs. Cauble moved to waive the policy for the number of non-nutritious fundraisers for the school districts in another time zone, due to unforeseeable circumstances that arise with time zone differences. Ms. Wims-Campbell seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

CONTINUED DISCUSSION ON ESEA REAUTHORIZATION AND RECOMMENDED ACTION
Board members discussed congressional legislation proposed for reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), particularly references to the assessment schedule and accountability. Mrs. Cauble moved to authorize the Board Chairman to work with staff to prepare a letter for the congressional delegation on Kansas’ recommendations for ESEA reauthorization. Discussion followed about specific elements to include in the letter, including support for the bill presented by Senator Lamar Alexander. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

BOARD REPORTS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
Legislative — Ken Willard asked for the audited financial statement from the Kansas State High School Activities Association and that copies be distributed to Board members. It was announced that the hearing on House Bill 2170 (Emergency Safety Interventions, seclusion and restraint) would be Feb. 19 and Board members were invited to attend.

Policy — Mrs. Waugh reported that the Policy Committee had met and would be concentrating on guidelines, particularly travel. She welcomed comments or suggestions.

Communications — Mr. McNiece reported on the prior evening’s gathering with House and Senate Education Committee members; announced plans to create an Education Fast Fact Sheet for Board members’ use; and stated that the next message in the informational postcard series would feature the online location for submitting feedback on standards.

Other — Mrs. Cauble reported on a meeting of the Interstate Migrant Education Council and the group’s plans to host a migrant symposium in October.

Board Attorney Mark Ferguson noted that his monthly summary had been provided.

Requests for Future Agenda Items: Mrs. Waugh would like a presentation about keyboarding instruction in elementary schools; Mr. Porter would like guidance from the Board’s legislative liaisons...
Chairman McNiece reported that the State Board has an opportunity to apply for a $7,500 stipend from the National Association of State Boards of Education to understand and respond to the challenges of rural administrators. Mr. McNiece moved to accept the application for a NASBE stipend for principal leadership. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 10-0. He continued by extending a NASBE invitation to the Board for participating in a data privacy activity to review policies and provide analysis. Two participants could travel to Washington DC for the conference at no charge. For activities, Mr. McNiece was a judge for the Cooking Up Change competition in Wichita and will be attending the Next Generation Science Standards Leadership Conference in San Francisco.

BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL
Additions to the travel requests were: Ms. Wims-Campbell Feb. 12 Kansas Volunteer Commission; Mr. Willard Feb. 12 omit legislative work, but add Feb. 18 and 19 as legislative activity. Mr. Porter moved to approve the travel requests and additions. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-1 with Mrs. Cauble in opposition.

ADJOURNMENT
The business of the Board concluded at 12:35 p.m. State Board members gathered immediately afterwards for a group photo.

Jim McNiece, Chairman
Peggy Hill, Secretary
KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2015

CALL TO ORDER
Vice Chairman Sally Cauble called the monthly meeting of the State Board of Education to order at
10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015, in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jack-
son St., Topeka, Kansas. She welcomed new Board member Jim Porter, who represents District 9,
then acknowledged media and other regular attendees, thanking them for their interest and service.

ROLL CALL
All members were present:
John Bacon                Jim McNiece
Kathy Busch                Jim Porter
Carolyn Wims-Campbell     Steve Roberts
Sally Cauble              Janet Waugh
Deena Horst                Ken Willard

STATE BOARD MISSION STATEMENT, MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Vice Chairman Cauble read the Board Mission Statement. She then asked for a moment of silence
after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ELECTION OF THE BOARD CHAIRMAN
During the biennial reorganization of the State Board, Mr. Roberts moved to nominate Mr. Jim
McNiece as Chairman. This position is for a two-year term beginning January 2015. Mrs. Busch se-
conded the motion. Motion carried 8-2 with Mr. Bacon and Mr. Willard in opposition. Mr. McNiece
accepted, then assumed leadership of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Mrs. Horst moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Busch seconded. Mr. Bacon asked for
consent item 24 h. to be voted on separately. Mrs. Horst and Mrs. Busch agreed and amended the
motion to approve the agenda acting independently on item 24 h. Motion carried 9-1 with Mr. Rob-
erts in opposition.

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES
Mrs. Waugh moved to approve the minutes of the December Board meeting. Mr. Willard seconded.
Motion carried 10-0.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN
Mrs. Waugh moved to nominate Ms. Carolyn Wims-Campbell as Vice Chairman. Mrs. Horst seconded.
Motion carried 9-1 with Mr. Bacon in opposition. Ms. Wims-Campbell accepted the position, then
assumed the designated Vice Chairman’s seat at the Board table.

Board members took a break from 10:10 to 10:20 a.m. to select their places based on seniority. The
Chairman confirmed the new seating arrangements.

ELECTION OF LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR AND ASSISTANT LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR
Mrs. Busch moved to re-elect Mr. Ken Willard as Legislative Coordinator. Mr. Roberts seconded.
Motion carried 8-2 with Mrs. Waugh and Mrs. Cauble in opposition.
Mrs. Cauble moved to re-elect Mrs. Deena Horst as Assistant Legislative Coordinator. Ms. Wims-Campbell seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**APPOINTMENT OF BOARD ATTORNEY AND BOARD SECRETARY**

Mrs. Horst moved to approve the designations of Mark Ferguson and Peggy Hill as State Board Attorney and State Board Secretary respectively. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 8-1-1 with Mr. Bacon opposing and Mr. Willard abstaining.

**ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS TO POLICY COMMITTEE**

Reorganization continued with the election of three Board members to serve on the Policy Committee. Mr. Willard moved to nominate Mr. Jim Porter to serve on the Policy Committee. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0. For the second opening, Mrs. Horst moved to nominate Mrs. Kathy Busch. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 10-0. Ms. Wims-Campbell moved to nominate Mrs. Janet Waugh for the final position on the Policy Committee. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**STATUS OF OTHER ELECTED POSITIONS**

Action was not required on the other elected positions of Coalition of Innovative District representatives (two), which are current until January 2017, or on the Kansas State High School Activities Association Board and Executive Board, which are both current.

**CITIZENS’ OPEN FORUM**

Chairman McNiece declared the Citizens’ Forum open at 10:30 a.m. Those speaking were: Stephanie Dickson representing the Kansas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance and Kansas City Kansas public schools. She emphasized the importance of physical education.

Chairman McNiece declared the Citizens’ Forum closed at 10:34 a.m.

**REVIEW OF APPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE BY CHAIRMAN AND COMMISSIONER**

Chairman McNiece reviewed the list of committee appointments to be made by either the Chairman or Commissioner. The list of opportunities to serve was provided to Board members in their packets, and now includes a position on the Charter and Virtual Education Advisory Council. Each member was asked to complete an interest survey of the open committee assignments, ranking his or her top three choices. The announcement of assignments would be made at Wednesday’s meeting.

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION FOR 2015 BOARD MEETING DATES**

Mrs. Cauble moved to adopt the Resolution as presented establishing the 2015 calendar of Board meeting dates, time and location for the Kansas State Board of Education. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0. The signed resolution is provided as an attachment to the minutes.

The Board took a break from 10:45 to 10:55 a.m.

**COMMISSIONER’S REPORT**

Interim Commissioner Brad Neuenswander provided a year-end summary highlighting Board activities during 2014. He also shared the schedule of community conversations that would be taking place in the next several weeks across the state. Board members would be co-facilitating the sessions which are intended to gather information that will help define the state’s strategic plan for education. Board members initiated discussion that the daytime schedules would possibly prohibit attendance. Other talk centered on publicizing the tour, utilizing technology to collect input and adding some evening sessions.

January 13, 2015
Minutes

MOTION (00:13:03) Mrs. Cauble moved to re-elect Mrs. Deena Horst as Assistant Legislative Coordinator. Ms. Wims-Campbell seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

MOTION (00:14:17) Mrs. Horst moved to approve the designations of Mark Ferguson and Peggy Hill as State Board Attorney and State Board Secretary respectively. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 8-1-1 with Mr. Bacon opposing and Mr. Willard abstaining.

MOTION (00:18:00) Mrs. Horst moved to nominate Mr. Jim Porter to serve on the Policy Committee. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

MOTION (00:19:05) For the second opening, Mrs. Horst moved to nominate Mrs. Kathy Busch. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

MOTION (00:19:45) Ms. Wims-Campbell moved to nominate Mrs. Janet Waugh for the final position on the Policy Committee. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

MOTION (00:21:14) Action was not required on the other elected positions of Coalition of Innovative District representatives (two), which are current until January 2017, or on the Kansas State High School Activities Association Board and Executive Board, which are both current.

MOTION (00:23:14) Chairman McNiece declared the Citizens’ Forum open at 10:30 a.m. Those speaking were: Stephanie Dickson representing the Kansas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance and Kansas City Kansas public schools. She emphasized the importance of physical education.

MOTION (00:27:37) Chairman McNiece declared the Citizens’ Forum closed at 10:34 a.m.

MOTION (00:33:38) Chairman McNiece reviewed the list of committee appointments to be made by either the Chairman or Commissioner. The list of opportunities to serve was provided to Board members in their packets, and now includes a position on the Charter and Virtual Education Advisory Council. Each member was asked to complete an interest survey of the open committee assignments, ranking his or her top three choices. The announcement of assignments would be made at Wednesday’s meeting.

MOTION (00:40:04) Mrs. Cauble moved to adopt the Resolution as presented establishing the 2015 calendar of Board meeting dates, time and location for the Kansas State Board of Education. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0. The signed resolution is provided as an attachment to the minutes.

BREAK

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

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LEGISLATIVE MATTERS
In his Legislative report, just a day after the 2015 session began, Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis provided informational handouts, including membership rosters of the House and Senate Education Committees. He reminded the Board about attending the Governor’s State of the State Address on Thursday, and that legislative conference calls would again take place on the last Friday of the month during the session.

The Chairman recessed the meeting for lunch at 11:35 a.m.

RECEIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT
At 1:30 p.m., Chairman McNiece called the afternoon session to order. Dr. Joan Robbins, Chair of the Special Education Advisory Council, gave opening remarks. Council members introduced themselves and named their specific areas of representation. Next, past Chair Bryan Wilson highlighted accomplishments of the previous year, listing such efforts as the increase in behavior supports, mentoring and review of the Emergency Safety Intervention appeal process. The printed annual report and summary of activities was provided to the Board. Director Colleen Riley helped answer questions.

RECEIVE RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF INNOVATIVE DISTRICT APPLICANT
Superintendent Bill Mullins, USD 364 Marysville, shared the main elements of the district’s application for Innovative District status. He explained the intent to partner with local industry and offer technical training to students emphasizing college and career readiness. He spoke of the demographics of the district and re-evaluation of high school math and English requirements. Board members could then ask questions or seek clarification about the application. The Board will vote on granting USD 364 authority to operate as an Innovative District in February.

UPDATE ON ACCREDITATION PROCESS
The State Board receives ongoing updates on the PK-12 accreditation process and work on the new model. Dr. Scott Myers, Director of Teacher Licensure and Accreditation, gave an overview of the advisory council recommendations already in place, noting that the five-year accreditation cycle is similar to the higher education approach. The QPA Advisory Council has changed its name to the KSDE Accreditation Advisory Council. KSDE Education Program Consultant Kelly Slaton highlighted the new model requirements, including an increase in stakeholder participation. Discussion followed on such topics as development of the electronic dashboard illustrating student growth in multiple areas, plus involving local school boards in the new model training.

The Board took a break until 3:33 p.m.

ACTION ON PROGRAM STANDARDS FOR PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION, SCHOOL COUNSELOR AND AGRICULTURE
Board members were presented a handout outlining the recommended revisions to the Educator Preparation Program Standards for Professional Education, School Counselor and Agriculture. The document detailed the previous standard, the new standard and what information changed. Institutions of Higher Education utilize program standards to develop their preparation programs and to establish professional learning requirements. Representatives from each of the three revision committees explained the rationale for the changes and answered questions from Board members. Chairman McNiece asked that the program standards be voted on separately. Mrs. Horst moved to approve the program standards for school counselor as presented. Mrs. Waugh seconded. Motion carried 9-1 with Mr. Roberts in opposition. Mrs. Busch moved to approve the program standards for professional education as presented. Ms. Wims-Campbell seconded. Motion carried 9-1 with Mr. Roberts in opposition. Ms. Wims-Campbell moved to approve the program standards for agriculture as presented. Mrs. Cauble seconded. Motion carried 10-0.
UPDATE ON KANSAS MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM

Responding to a request for information on the migrant program in Kansas, Assistant Director Doug Boline clarified characteristics of the migrant population, eligibility, and range of services provided. He distributed a map illustrating the largest concentrations of activity in the Kansas Migrant Education Program. In addition, he shared details on how Kansas ranks nationally in categories of enrollment and allocation of migrant funds. Mr. Boline described the difference between migrant and out of school youth, then answered questions.

ACTION ON NEW APPOINTMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

Dr. Scott Myers presented the recommendation of Kathryn Beougher to serve a partial term on the Professional Standards Board. She would fill a vacancy as a representative of Special Education Administrators. Mrs. Cauble moved to appoint Kathryn Beougher to a partial term on the Professional Standards Board effective Jan. 13, 2015 through June 30, 2015. Mr. Porter seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

QUARTERLY UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF KCCR SCIENCE STANDARDS

Implementation of the Kansas College and Career Ready Science Standards is ongoing and State Board members received a quarterly status report from Education Program Consultant Matt Krehiel. Work continues on the three-year assessment transition plan and plans for advancing instruction. He mentioned schools’ participation with higher education through math and science partnership grants, as well as increased efforts to build partnerships with business and industry supporters.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Busch moved to approve the consent agenda with the exception of Item 24 h. which would be considered separately. Mrs. Cauble seconded. Motion carried 8-1 with Mr. Roberts in opposition and Ms. Wims-Campbell absent for the vote.

In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

- Received the monthly Personnel Report for December.
- Accepted the following recommendations of the Evaluation Review Committee for program approval: Associated Colleges of Central Kansas — Adaptive Special Education (I, PreK-12) New Program through Dec. 31, 2016; Benedictine College — Mathematics (I, 6-12) Upgrade through Dec. 31, 2019; MidAmerica Nazarene University — School Counseling (A, PreK-12) New Program through Dec. 31, 2016; Newman University — District Leadership (A, P-12) New Program Review through Dec. 31, 2016; Southwestern College — all Continuing Programs: Biology (I, 6-12), Chemistry (I, 6-12), Early Childhood Unified (I, B-Gr3), Elementary (I, K-6), English (I, 6-12), History/Government/Social Studies (I, 6-12), Mathematics (I, 5-8), Mathematics (I, 6-12), Music (I, PreK-12), Physical Education (I, PreK-12), Speech/Theatre (I, 6-12) through Dec. 31, 2021; Washburn University — all Upgrades: Mathematics (I, 5-8), Mathematics (I, 6-12), Biology (I, 6-12), Chemistry (I, 6-12) through Dec. 31, 2016.
- Accepted the following recommendations of the Evaluation Review Committee for continuing accreditation through Dec. 31, 2020 for Bethany College, Newman University, and Ottawa University.
- Approved the Education Flexibility Partnership (Ed-Flex) waiver request for USD 266 Maize.
- Accepted recommendations of the Licensure Review Committee as follows: Approved Cases — 2997 Flora Vanegas (K-6 and 6-12 adaptive special education), 3004 Lyra Statts (5-8 English language arts), 3006 Sheryl Wamsley, 3007 Rachel Warner (5-8 science), 3011 Loretta Klomak (5-8 mathematics), 3012 Tina Patrick, 3013 Kathleen McDonough, 3018 Amanda Coffman, 3021 Jennifer Koch, 3022 LaShundra Brown, 3025 Lise Copeland.
• Accepted the following recommendations for licensure waivers valid for one school year:
  
  **Adaptive Special Education** – Ann Marie Frisch, Cole Cherryholmes, Joshua Freking, Keith Butler, Kelly Balliet, Andrea Baker, Andrea Bradfield, Cody Holland, Ellen Awe, Justin Bostock, Paul Kempf, Precious Collins, Taylor Clark, Jason Allen, USD 259; Courtney Leven, USD 383; Amber Gerstberger, USD 457; Geovanni Popoca, Blake Hodges, Caryn Riddle, Colby Segreges, USD 469; Daniel Robbins, Emily Rundle, USD 500; Rebecca Drews, Joel Swanson, USD 501; Jason Bates, Tara Lopeman, D0603; Kaile Allen, D0605; Benjamin Elliott, Hannah Abernathy, D0611; Andrew Weese, Taylor Ford, D0620; Lora Goehring, Michele Haidai, Deanna Hodges, Jalynn Michler, Amie Oltman, Jason Wilson, Jordan Crawford, Krysten Mattocks, Melissa Carrell, Shara Splichal, Steven Oltman, Tiffany Arnold, D0638. **Adaptive Special Education – Extension on the number of days on an emergency substitute license** – Haleigh Jernberg, USD 345. **Early Childhood Special Education** – Marissa Goodrich, USD 383; Carol Schonlau, D0619; Casey McGraw, Katie Todd, D0638. **Early Childhood/Preschool** – Theresa Santangelo, USD 253, Paula Kraft USD 348, Jennifer McNett, D0712. **Early Childhood/Preschool – Extension on the number of days on an emergency substitute license** – Crystal Guerrero, USD 216. **Family and Consumer Science – Extension on the number of days on an emergency substitute license** – Macey Hedges, USD 462. **Functional Special Education** – Ryan Alliman, USD 259; Blair Bowlin, D0619; Effie Winn, D0638. **Functional Special Education – Extension on the number of days on an emergency substitute license** – Kristin Keating, USD 437. **Gifted** – Jason Busche, D0605; Leslie Lewellen, D0638. **Library Media Specialist** – Kathy Kehr, USD 259; L. Diane Lowery, USD 402.

• Approved the local in-service education plan for the Catholic Diocese of Wichita.

**ACTION ON REVIEW OF STATE BOARD ATTORNEY CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS**

A separate vote was taken on Consent Item 24 h. Mrs. Cauble moved to authorize the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the State Board of Education to review the specifications for renewal of the State Board Attorney contract. Mrs. Waugh seconded. Motion carried 6-3 with Mr. Bacon, Mr. Roberts and Mr. Willard in opposition, and Ms. Wims-Campbell absent for the vote.

**RECESS**

At 5:05 p.m., Chairman McNiece recessed Tuesday’s Board meeting until 9 a.m. Wednesday. Board members were invited to attend a get-acquainted breakfast with the Special Education Advisory Council prior to the meeting.

Jim McNiece, Chairman

Peggy Hill, Secretary

**NOTE:**

The swearing-in ceremony for new Board member Jim Porter (District 9) and re-elected Board members Janet Waugh (District 1), John Bacon (District 3), Sally Cauble (District 5) and Ken Willard (District 7) occurred in conjunction with the Governor’s inauguration Monday, Jan. 12, at the Statehouse.
KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2015

PRE-MEETING ACTIVITY—SEAC BREAKFAST
The Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) hosted its annual Get-Acquainted Breakfast for Board members in Room 560 of Landon State Office Building prior to the start of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Jim McNiece called the Wednesday meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 9 a.m. on Jan. 14, 2015 in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas. He recognized special guests in attendance from the Kansas Educational Leadership Institute.

ROLL CALL
All members were present:
John Bacon   Jim McNiece
Kathy Busch  Jim Porter
Carolyn Wims-Campbell  Steve Roberts
Sally Cauble  Janet Waugh
Deena Horst  Ken Willard

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Mrs. Horst moved to approve the day’s agenda. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

CAREER TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION REPORTS AND OFFICER PRESENTATIONS
In observance of Citizenship Day, Assistant Director Jay Scott announced that eight state officers representing Kansas Career and Technical Student Organizations would be speaking to the Board. These student leaders described how their various programs help them develop skills, gain knowledge about interests, provide support to their communities, and have a positive impact on others. They shared specific examples of community service and leadership activities.

The Board took a break until 9:38 a.m. for photos with the students.

RECOGNITION OF KANSAS SUPERINTENDENT AND PRINCIPALS OF THE YEAR
Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis introduced the Kansas Superintendent of the Year and Principals of the Year as selected and recognized by their peers. Each honoree briefly shared with the Board about special activities in their districts. This year’s recipients are:

Mrs. Kimberly Mitchell, Principal at Bonner Springs Elementary School (USD 204), the 2015 National Distinguished Principal of the Year as named by the Kansas Association of Elementary School Principals.

Mr. Ron Wilson, Principal at Abilene Middle School (USD 435), the 2014-15 Kansas Middle School Principal of the Year as named by the Kansas Association of Middle School Administrators.

Dr. Randy Watson, Superintendent of McPherson (USD 418) and Kansas Commissioner of Education designate, the 2015 Kansas Superintendent of the Year as named by the Kansas School Superintendents Association.
Ms. Cara Ledy, Principal at Wichita South High School (USD 259), was unable to be present for the meeting. She was named 2014-15 Kansas High School Principal of the Year by the Kansas Association of Secondary School Principals.

The Board took a 10-minute break at 10:05 a.m. for photos with the honorees.

**ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION**

KSDE General Counsel Scott Gordon presented the findings of the Professional Practices Commission on two cases brought before the PPC to address applications for teacher licensure. Mrs. Cauble asked to vote on each case separately. Mrs. Waugh moved to adopt the findings of the Professional Practices Commission in the case of Ashley Eck. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

Mrs. Busch moved to adopt the findings of the Professional Practices Commission in the case of Eden Bloom. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 9-0. Mrs. Cauble recused herself from the vote.

**BOARD REPORTS, COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Assignments — Chairman McNiece announced the selection of Board members to serve on the various committees with State Board representation. The chart of assignments is attached to the minutes.

For committee reports, Communications Committee member Mr. McNiece reported activities targeted at communicating with legislators, including a series of informational postcards that will be distributed throughout the legislative session and a Feb. 10 dinner and dialogue session with the State Board and members of the House and Senate Education committees. Next, Policy Committee member Mrs. Waugh announced that the first committee meeting would be at lunchtime on Tuesday, Feb. 10.

In other Board reports, Mr. Roberts expressed appreciation for his time serving on the Professional Standards Board; Mrs. Horst mentioned that the final report on the K-12 Student Performance and Efficiency Commission had been shared with the Board; Mrs. Cauble offered to share information she receives from the Education Commission of the State, a non-partisan research group; Mr. Willard and Mr. McNiece attended education finance discussions and will be following this topic during the legislative session; Mrs. Busch attended a meeting of the Kansas Learning First Alliance and distributed an educational achievement report card from KASB.

**Requests for Future Agenda Items:** Ms. Wims-Campbell requested an update on the following categories of students: foster, homeless and Native American. Mrs. Busch requested an update on state assessments, particularly addressing the student ticket system and amount of testing time needed.

Board Attorney Mark Ferguson noted that preliminary work was beginning on the negotiations process between the State Board of Education and the Kansas State School for the Deaf NEA. Training on interest based bargaining for the negotiations team is planned for Feb. 26. He updated members on activity in cases involving educational issues. His monthly summary was provided to the Board.

Chairman McNiece informed the Board that NASBE has moved into its new headquarters in Alexandria, Va. He and Mr. Willard would be attending the January NASBE Board of Directors meeting. NASBE is offering stipends to state school boards and Mr. McNiece expressed interest in Kansas applying for a stipend in the amount of $7,500 based on its goal of ensuring effective, visionary leaders in every school.
There was discussion about topics to monitor during the legislature, including the creation of an education standards study commission that did not include State Board representation and action related to special education.

**BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL**

Additions to the travel requests were: Ms. Wims-Campbell Jan. 14 attendance at the KSHSAA Executive Board meeting and Jan. 15 State of the State Address; Mr. Porter Jan. 22 KASB Governmental Relations Seminar. Mrs. Cauble mentioned adding the upcoming statewide vision tour dates to the schedule for those who will be co-facilitating. Mrs. Waugh moved to approve the travel requests and additions. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The business of the Board concluded at 11:30 a.m. Afterwards, Board members were guests of the Career Technical Student Organizations at the Capitol Plaza for the annual luncheon. Mr. McNiece and Mr. Roberts attended a recognition lunch for the Superintendent of the Year at the Kansas Historical Society.

Jim McNiece, Chairman
Peggy Hill, Secretary
RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved that:

The Kansas State Board of Education shall conduct its regular meeting beginning at 10 a.m. on the second Tuesday and 9 a.m. on the second Wednesday of each month with the exception of April (2015) when said meetings shall be held on the third Thursday and Friday; and with the exception of November (2015) when said meetings will be held the second Monday and Tuesday to avoid conflict with the Veteran’s Day holiday. Therefore, the Kansas State Board of Education regular meetings and legislative conference calls shall comply with the following schedule:

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CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Kansas State Board of Education on the 13th day of January, 2015.

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Peggy Hill
Secretary, Kansas State Board of Education
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*Chart includes involvement on national organizations*
Interim Commissioner Brad Neuenswander will report on the five-week tour of community conversations conducted across the state. He will also discuss the process for disseminating the information and using the feedback to shape the educational vision for Kansas’ children.
To: Kansas State Board of Education  
From: Peggy Hill  
Subject: Citizens’ Open Forum  

Board Goals: Develop active communication and partnerships with families, communities, business stakeholders, constituents and policy partners

During the Citizens’ Open Forum, the State Board of Education provides an opportunity for citizens to share views about topics of interest or issues currently being considered by the State Board.

Each speaker shall be allowed to speak for three minutes. Any person wishing to speak shall complete a presenter’s card, giving his or her name and address, and the name of any group he or she is representing. (Ref. Board Policy 1012)

If written material is submitted, 13 copies should be provided.
To: Interim Commissioner Brad Neuenswander
From: Doug Boline, Colleen Riley, Brad Neuenswander
Subject: Diverse Student Populations served in Kansas
Date: 02/22/2015

Board Goals: Provide a flexible and efficient delivery system to meet our students’ varied and changing needs

Doug Boline and members of the Early Childhood, Special Education and Title Services Team (ECSETS) will provide information on the diverse student populations served by the ECSETS team. This will include information on Homeless, English Language Learners (ELL), Neglected and Delinquent (N&D), Native American and Special Education.
To: Kansas State Board of Education
From: Interim Commissioner Brad Neuenswander
Subject: ESEA Update
Date: 02/24/2015

In an ESEA update to the Board, Interim Commissioner Brad Neuenswander will report on the state’s waiver renewal application and the latest developments in Congress toward reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.
To: Kansas State Board of Education
From: Coalition of Innovative Districts Representatives
Subject: Coalition’s Recommendation on Process for Licensure
Date: 02/24/2015

The Coalition of Innovative Districts Board continues to work with the six approved Innovative Districts to address specific requests outlined in their applications. One common element is licensure flexibility. State Board of Education members will receive information from the Coalition regarding a proposal for issuing a unique teaching certificate specifically for use in the Innovative Districts.
Coalition of Innovative School Districts  
Innovative School District Specialized Certificate

I. Approved Innovative School Districts will have the authority to hire:  
a. non-licensed professional employees or  
b. licensed professional employees in areas outside of their area(s) of licensure  
to best meet student learning needs and/or innovative district hiring needs.

II. Candidates that meet the following requirements will be awarded an Innovative School  
District Specialized Certificate:  
a. pass local district background check requirements  
b. receive approval from the local Board of Education  
c. receive approval from the Coalition of Innovative School Districts Board  
d. Complete appropriate KSDE application forms and process for licensure

III. The Innovative School District Specialized Certificate will specify the endorsement  
area(s) and a person who holds an Innovative School District Specialized Certificate will  
be considered by KSDE as being licensed in the endorsed area(s) designated on the  
certificate.

IV. The qualifications for an Innovative School District Specialized Certificate will not be  
subject to current KSDE licensure regulations or Kansas law.

V. The applicant for an Innovative School District Specialized Certificate will be subject to  
KSDE regulations, Kansas Administrative Regulation 91-1-214, governing criminal  
background checks and fingerprints for public school employees.

VI. The Innovative School District Specialized Certificate will only be valid in the innovative  
district that approved the hire and the certificate will remain valid as long as the  
professional employee remains continuously employed by the hiring district.  
Continuous employment is at the discretion of the local Board of Education.

VII. The local Board of Education is responsible for defining the terms and conditions of  
employment.

VIII. The Local Education Agency (LEA) will notify KSDE when a professional employee  
holding an Innovative School District Specialized Certificate separates from  
employment.

IX. KSDE will de-activate the Innovative School District Specialized Certificate upon  
separation.

Draft 1/09/2014
### Coalition of Innovative School Districts Board
#### Application for Specialized Certificate Approval

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  - Yes
  - No
  - If Yes, provide content area and expiration date:

- Does applicant hold a valid teaching license in a state other than Kansas?
  - Yes
  - No
  - If Yes, provide content area and expiration date:

- Has applicant been approved by local BOE?
  - Yes
  - No
  - If Yes, provide date:

- Has applicant completed and passed all LEA pre-employment hiring procedures?
  - Yes
  - No

- Recommended Term of Specialized Certificate:
  - One Year
  - Multi-year

- Person recommending applicant for approval by the Coalition of Innovative School Districts Board:
  - Name: [ ]
  - Position: [ ]
  - Signature: [ ]
  - Date: [ ]

- Specialized Certificate Approval:
  - Yes
  - No

- Authorized by:
  - Position: [ ]
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To: Interim Commissioner Brad Neuenswander  
From: Cheryl Johnson, Dale Dennis  
Subject: Presentation on Team Up for Kansas Kids Campaign/Website and Summer Meal Summit  
Date: 02/19/2015  
Board Goals: Develop active communication and partnerships with families, communities, business stakeholders, constituents, and policy partners

The Kansas Health Foundation continues to promote wellness in schools, neighborhoods and communities - and to encourage healthy habits from a young age. Most recently the foundation launched Team Up for Kansas Kids. The statewide project aims to unite the efforts of school leaders and families by providing both with opportunities to explore resources, share tools and best practices and glean tips for facilitating collaborative action.

Additionally, the foundation hosted KSDE Child Nutrition & Wellness' Summer Meals Summit at its conference center in Wichita. More than 200 Kansans from across the state gathered to hear from national speakers, share best practices and pledge new commitments to participate in the Federal Summer Food Service Program in summer 2015. Mr. Steve Coen, President & CEO of the Kansas Health Foundation, and Cheryl Johnson, Director of the Child Nutrition & Wellness team, will update the Board about progress on both initiatives.

Child Nutrition and Wellness
Phone: 785-296-2276  
Fax: 785-296-1413
To: Kansas State Board of Education
From: Interim Commissioner Brad Neuenswander
Subject: Emergency Safety Interventions Discussion
Date: 02/24/2015

At the request of Chairman Jim McNiece, State Board of Education members will discuss recent proposed legislation on seclusion and restraint of pupils, and Emergency Safety Interventions.
To: Interim Commissioner Brad Neuenswander
From: Dale Dennis
Subject: Legislative Matters
Date: 02/17/2015

Board Goals: Provide a flexible and efficient delivery system to meet our students’ varied and changing needs

REVIEW EDUCATION LEGISLATION

A report on the status of education legislation will be reviewed with the State Board.

REVIEW BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2015 AND 2016

The status of the State Board's budget recommendations for fiscal years 2015 and 2016 will be discussed.
To: Interim Commissioner Brad Neuenswander  
From: Gwen Kramer, Wendy Fritz  
Subject: Personnel Report  
Date: 2/23/2015  

Board Goals: Governmental Responsibility

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REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Item Title:
Appointments of Persons to Unclassified Special Projects Positions

Board Goals:
Governmental responsibility

Recommended Motion:
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education confirm the appointment of:

Benjamin Lenk to the position of Applications Developer II on the Information Technology team effective Feb. 2, 2015 at an annual salary of $46,092.80. This position is funded by Teacher Administration Fee Fund and Title II-A Discretionary Fund.

Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:
Benjamin Lenk will support the technical work required in support of the Kansas State Board of Education (BOE), and to support KSDE applications and websites. The person in this position works independently to design, develop, and maintain the complex system that collects data and information, implement the workflow processes, support informed decision making, and provides reports and statistics for the BOE. In addition, this person designs, enhances, and manages KSDE applications and websites. This position provides leadership to other KSDE staff regarding application and website design, maintenance; and acts as a consultant to staff and agency leadership to determine requirements and timelines for information systems, to develop requirements and designs, and to translate these into computer applications and documentation for those web applications.
REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Staff Initiating: Janet Williams
Director: Scott Myers
Deputy Commissioner: Brad Neuenswander
Interim Commissioner: Brad Neuenswander

Item Title:
Recommendations of the Licensure Review Committee

Board Goals:
Provide an effective educator in every classroom

Recommended Motion:
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education accept the recommendations of the Licensure Review Committee.

Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:
Recommendations of the Licensure Review Committee need approval of the State Board of Education. Certificates/licenses will be issued to those applicants whose appeals are granted.
Case 3005
Jamie Bloxom requested initial Kansas licensure for PreK-3 early childhood education and secondary 6-12 history, government, and social studies. Annie Diederich made a motion to recommend denial of this license based on lack of knowledge and performance to meet the deficient professional education standards, PreK-3 early childhood standards, and secondary 6-12 history, government, and social studies standards. The motion was seconded by Pamela Amott and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously. The applicant did not schedule a personal appearance.

Case 3010
Christopher Ala requested initial Kansas licensure for secondary 6-12 business and middle level 5-8 mathematics. Linda Schukman made a motion to recommend denial of this license based on lack of knowledge and performance to meet the deficient professional education standards and secondary 6-12 business standards. The motion was seconded by Annie Diederich and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously. The applicant is no longer pursuing licensure.

Case 3014
Keegan Tosser requested an initial Kansas license for secondary 6-12 business and K-6 elementary education. Linda Schukman made a motion to recommend approval of initial Kansas licensure for secondary 6-12 business and K-6 elementary education based on achievement of certification in Missouri through an alternative route, and clarification of educational background and teaching experience. The motion was seconded by Annie Diederich and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously.

Case 3016
Ashlee Pape requested the addition of an endorsement for PreK-3 early childhood education to a valid Kansas license. Heidi Bolt made a motion to recommend approval of the addition of an endorsement for PreK-3 early childhood education to a valid Kansas license based on achievement of certification in South Carolina that included meeting minimum state requirements and clarification of educational background and teaching experience. The motion was seconded by Linda Schukman and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously.

Case 3019
Kristin Ashbaugh requested an initial Kansas license for K-6 elementary education. Linda Schukman made a motion to recommend approval of a provisional Kansas license for K-6 elementary education with full licensure contingent upon completion of a college course in classroom management, assessment, and classroom strategies through a Kansas college to meet the deficient professional education standards and the completion of the plan of study from the University of Saint Mary to meet the deficient elementary education standards. The motion was seconded by Carla Maneth and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously.

Case 3020
Glynis Barnes requested an initial Kansas license for K-6 elementary education. Pamela Amott made a motion to recommend approval of a provisional license for K-6 elementary education with full licensure contingent upon completion of the plan of study through Wichita State University to meet the deficient elementary education standards. The motion was seconded by Linda Schukman and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously.
Case 3023
Stephen Brown requested initial Kansas licensure for PreK-12 health and PreK-12 physical education. Pamela Amott made a motion to recommend approval of an initial Kansas license for PreK-12 physical education based on completion of certification in Louisiana through an alternative route, educational background, and teaching experience. The motion was seconded by Darrel Kohlman and the Licensure Review Committee carried the motion 5-1-0. Pamela Amott made a motion to recommend denial of a PreK-12 health license based on lack of knowledge and performance to meet the deficient health education standards. The motion was seconded by Heidi Bolt and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously. The applicant did request a personal appearance to pursue the PreK-12 health license.

Case 3024
Clinton McDonald requested the renewal of a two year provisional license for PreK-12 music or an initial Kansas license for PreK-12 music. Linda Schukman made a motion to recommend denial of a two year provisional and/or an initial Kansas license for PreK-12 music based on the applicant not completing the plan of study approved by the committee at the October 2, 2012 meeting. The motion was seconded by Darrel Kohlman and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously. The applicant did not schedule a personal appearance.

Case 3026
Jessica Gladden requested the addition of an endorsement for K-6 and 6-12 gifted education to a valid Kansas license. Linda Schukman made a motion to recommend approval of an endorsement for K-6 and 6-12 gifted education to a valid Kansas license education based on achievement of certification in Florida through an alternative route, educational background, and teaching experience. The motion was seconded by Carla Maneth and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously.

Case 3032
Rhonda Beckett requested the addition of an endorsement for PreK-3 early childhood education to a valid Kansas license. Pamela Amott made a motion to recommend approval of an endorsement for PreK-3 early childhood education to a valid Kansas license based on achievement of certification in Missouri, early childhood education coursework through the University of Phoenix, and teaching experience. The motion was seconded by Heidi Bolt and the Licensure Review Committee carried the motion.

Case 3034
Megan Sebaly requested the addition of an endorsement for Birth-Grade 3 early childhood unified to a valid Kansas license. Pamela Amott made a motion to recommend approval of an endorsement for Birth-Grade 3 early childhood unified to a valid Kansas license based on achievement of certification in New York by meeting minimum state requirements, educational background, and teaching experience. The motion was seconded by Annie Diederich and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously.

Case 3036
Lindsay Gribble requested the renewal of a two year provisional license for K-6 elementary education or the granting of an initial license for K-6 elementary education. Linda Schukman made a motion to recommend approval of an initial license for K-6 elementary education based on achievement of certification in Arizona, educational background, teaching experience, and completion of a master’s degree in elementary education to substitute for completion of the plan of study required by the License Review Committee. The motion was seconded by Annie Diederich and the Licensure Review Committee approved the motion unanimously.
REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Item Title: Act on Recommendations for Licensure waivers

Board Goals: Provide an effective educator in every classroom

Recommended Motion: It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education accept the attached recommendations for licensure waivers.

Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:
SBR 91-31-42 allows any school district to request a waiver from one or more of their accreditation requirements imposed by the State Board. Requests by schools to waive school accreditation regulation SBR 91-31-34 (appropriate certification/licensure of staff) are reviewed by the staff of Teacher Licensure and Accreditation. The district(s) must submit an application verifying that the individual teacher for whom they are requesting the waiver is currently working toward achieving the appropriate endorsement on his/her certificate/license. A review of the waiver application is completed before the waiver is recommended for approval.

The attached requests have been reviewed by the Teacher Licensure and Accreditation staff and are being forwarded to the State Board of Education for action. If approved, school districts will be able to use the individuals in an area outside the endorsement on their license, and in the area for which they have submitted an approved plan of study. The waiver is valid for one school year.
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REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Staff Initiating: Janet Williams
Director: Scott Myers
Deputy Commissioner: Brad Neuenswander
Interim Commissioner: Brad Neuenswander

Item Title:
Program Approval Recommendations of the Evaluation Review Committee

Board Goals:
Provide an effective educator in every classroom

Recommended Motion:
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education accept the following recommendations of the Evaluation Review Committee for "Program Approval" for Kansas Wesleyan University, McPherson College and Friends University.

Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:
Following the institutional application and receipt of a complete institutional report, a review team of trained evaluators was appointed to review programs for the above institutions based on adopted State Board policies, procedures, and regulations. These are available for review by any member or members of the State Board. The review team's report and the institution's response to the report, along with the institutional report and/or institutional progress report, were submitted to the Evaluation Review Committee (ERC) of the Teaching and School Administration Professional Standards Advisory Board. The ERC, in accordance with procedures adopted by the State Board, prepared a written initial recommendation regarding the appropriate status to be assigned to the teacher education program.

The initial recommendation was submitted to the teacher education institution and the institution was given 30 days to request a hearing to appeal the initial recommendation. If requested, the ERC conducted a hearing and prepared a written final recommendation regarding the appropriate status to be assigned to the teacher education program. If a request for a hearing was not submitted, the initial recommendation became the final recommendation. These final recommendations have been submitted to appropriate representatives of the teacher education institutions and are now submitted to the State Board, as attached, for consideration and approval of the ERC recommendations for program approval status.

A copy of the regulations covering this process is also attached. Staff will be on hand to answer any questions.

*If approved, new programs are always assigned the "new program approved with stipulation" status.
February 16, 2015

To: Brad Neuenswander, Interim Commissioner

From: Evaluation Review Committee

Subject: Final Recommendation for program approvals for Kansas Wesleyan University

Introductory Statement:

On January 29, 2015, the Evaluation Review Committee reviewed the application for program approvals for Kansas Wesleyan University.

Documents that were received and considered include the Institutional Program Reports, KSDE Team Reports, and Institutional Rejoinders to the KSDE Team Reports.

PROGRAM APPROVAL RECOMMENDATION

Recommend “Approved” for the following programs through December 31, 2021.

Elementary I, K-6 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-7
None

Biology I, 6-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement
Standards 1-6, 8-18
None

Standard 7
AFI 7.1 Assessment 5D does not cover the standard in its entirety.
Rationale 7.1 Human sexuality is not aligned with the content as described in the course description.

Chemistry I, 6-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-13
None

Physics I, 6-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-13
None

English I, 6-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-4
None
Mathematics I, 6-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-9
None

History, Government, and Social Studies I, 6-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-10
None

Speech/Theatre I, 6-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-6
None

Health I, PreK-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-4
None

Music I, PreK-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-9
None

Physical Education I, PreK-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-7
None
February 16, 2015

To: Brad Neuenswander, Interim Commissioner
From: Evaluation Review Committee
Subject: Final Recommendation for program approvals for McPherson College

Introductory Statement:

On January 29, 2015, the Evaluation Review Committee reviewed the application for program approvals for McPherson College.

Documents that were received and considered include the Institutional Program Reports, KSDE Team Reports, and Institutional Rejoinders to the KSDE Team Reports.

PROGRAM APPROVAL RECOMMENDATION

Recommend “Approved” for the following programs through December 31, 2021.

Elementary I, K-6 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-7
None

Biology I, 6-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-7, 10, 12-14, 16, 18
None

Standard 8
AFI 8.1 Assessment 8 does not align with the standard.
Rationale 8.1 The rubric provided is vague and does not clearly describe the content of the standard. Rubric decisions are made on a percentile of an exam not described.

Standard 9
AFI 9.1 The rubric for Assessment 6 is incomplete.
Rationale 9.1 Although the rubric for Assessment 6 has been modified to reflect appropriate language of evolution to align with Standard 9, the scoring guide within the rejoinder rubric is incomplete and does not address the depth and breadth of the standard. Without all sections of the rubric, it is difficult to determine the fit with the standard.

Standard 11
AFI 11.1 The rubric for Assessment 6 is incomplete.
Rationale 11.1 The scoring guide within the rejoinder rubric is incomplete and does not address the depth and breadth of the standard. Without all sections of the rubric, it is difficult to determine the fit with the standard. Description available in the rejoinder indicates successful "demonstrating a logical outline and placing their question and results in the context of what has already been studied in that area" which does not cover nature of science or science as a human endeavor as required by the standard.
McPherson College (continued)

**Standard 15**
**AFI 15.1** Assessment 7 does not provide what the candidate must score in order to pass.
**Rationale 15.1** There is no description of what a passing score is for Assessment 7.

**Standard 17**
**AFI 17.1** Assessment 7 description of Basic passing does not clearly demonstrate an adequate level of preparation for lab safety.
**Rationale 17.1** Assessment 7 written portion provides that the candidate may pass with a score of Basic which allows for a "a limited set of safety rules and behavioral expectations," "penalties and consequences for not following the rules and expectations are identified, but may not be appropriate or logical." "Those items specific to lab safety are as follows: there is a list of lab supplies with two to four items omitted, use of equipment and demonstration of equipment/supplies is provided but may be done incorrectly, procedures are listed but two to four minor steps may be skipped or several are unclear, the candidate models procedures but again may miss steps or is not clear, clean up procedures may be skipped."

**Chemistry I, 6-12 Continuing Program**
**Areas for Improvement:**
**Standards 1-13**
None

**English I, 6-12 Continuing Program**
**Areas for Improvement:**
**Standards 1-4**
None

**Mathematics I, 6-12 Continuing Program**
**Areas for Improvement:**
**Standards 1-9**
None

**History, Government, & Social Studies I, 6-12 Continuing Program**
**Areas for Improvement:**
**Standards 1-10**
None

**Speech/Theatre I, 6-12 Continuing Program**
**Areas for Improvement:**
**Standards 1-6**
None

**Art I, PreK-12 Continuing Program**
**Areas for Improvement:**
**Standards 1-7**
None
McPherson College (continued)

Foreign Language I, PreK-12 [Spanish] Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-9
None

Health I, PreK-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-4
None

Vocal Music I, PreK-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-9
None

Instrumental Music I, PreK-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-9
None

Music I, PreK-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-9
None

Physical Education I, PreK-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-7
None

ESOL I, K-6, 6-12 Continuing Program
Areas for Improvement:
Standards 1-10
None
February 20, 2015

To: Brad Neuenswander, Interim Commissioner

From: Evaluation Review Committee

Subject: Final Recommendations for program approval for Friends University

Introductory Statement:

The Evaluation Review Committee (ERC) reviewed the application for program approval for Friends University.

Documents that were received and considered include the program review documents, the initial KSDE Team Report, Institutional Rejoinders to the initial KSDE Team Report, and the final team report.

This program was submitted to and approved by the Kansas State Board of Education on October 15, 2013. This resubmission is to correct a typographical error in the program’s levels as previously submitted.

PROGRAM APPROVAL RECOMMENDATION

Recommend “Approved” status for the following programs through December 31, 2016.

ESOL (A, K-6, 6-12, PreK-12)

Areas for Improvement:

Standards 1-10

None
PROGRAM REVIEW PROCESS

The responsibilities of the Commissioner and State Board regarding unit accreditation under regulations 91-1-231(d), 91-1-232b and 91-1-70a are as follows:

KSDE’s Evaluation Review Committee (ERC) renders program approval recommendations for the initial teacher preparation and advanced program levels of the unit.

PROGRAM DECISIONS

New program approval decisions are:
- New Program Approved with Stipulation
- Not Approved.

Renewal program decisions are:
- Approved
- Approved with Stipulation
- Not Approved.
The responsibilities of the Commissioner and State Board regarding program approval are under regulations 91-1-235 and 91-1-236.

91-1-235. Procedures for initial approval of teacher education programs.

(a) Application.
(1) Each teacher education institution that desires to have any new program approved by the state board shall submit an application for program approval to the commissioner. The application shall be submitted at least 12 months before the date of implementation.
(2) Each institution shall submit with its application a program report containing a detailed description of each proposed program, including program coursework based on standards approved by the state board, and the performance-based assessment system that will be utilized to collect performance data on candidates' knowledge and skills. Each program report shall be in the form and shall contain the information prescribed by the commissioner. The program report shall include confirmation that the candidates in the program will be required to complete the following:
   (A) Coursework that constitutes a major in the subject at the institution or that is equivalent to a major; and
   (B) at least 12 weeks of student teaching.

(b) Review team. Upon receipt of a program report, a review team shall be appointed by the commissioner to analyze the program report. The chairperson of the review team shall be designated by the commissioner. The number of review team members shall be determined by the commissioner, based upon the scope of the program to be reviewed. An institution may challenge the appointment of a team member only on the basis of a conflict of interest.

(c) Program review process.
(1) In accordance with procedures adopted by the state board, a review team shall examine and analyze the proposed program report and shall prepare a report expressing the findings and conclusions of the review team. The review team's report shall be submitted to the commissioner. The report shall be forwarded by the commissioner to an appropriate representative of the teacher education institution.
(2) An institution may prepare a response to the review team's report. This response shall be prepared and submitted to the commissioner within 45 days of receipt of the review team's report. The review team's report, any response by the institution, and any other supporting documentation shall be forwarded to the evaluation review committee by the commissioner.

(d) Initial recommendation. The evaluation review committee, in accordance with procedures adopted by the state board, shall prepare a written initial recommendation regarding the appropriate status to be assigned to the proposed program, which shall include a statement of the findings and conclusions of the evaluation review committee. The recommendation shall be submitted to an appropriate representative of the teacher education institution and to the commissioner.

(e) Request for hearing.
(1) Within 30 days of the receipt of an initial recommendation of the evaluation review committee, the teacher education institution may submit a written request to the evaluation review committee for a hearing before the committee to appeal the initial recommendation. This request shall specify, in detail, the basis for the appeal, including an identification of each item disputed by the institution.
(2) If a request for a hearing is submitted, the evaluation review committee shall conduct a hearing. The committee shall then prepare a written final recommendation regarding the appropriate status to be assigned to the proposed program, which shall include a statement of the findings and conclusions of the evaluation review committee. The final recommendation shall be submitted to an appropriate representative of the teacher education institution and to the commissioner.
final recommendation shall be submitted by the commissioner to the state board for its consideration and determination.

(3) If a request for a hearing is not submitted within the time allowed under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the initial recommendation of the evaluation review committee shall become the final recommendation of the review committee. The committee's final recommendation shall be submitted by the commissioner to the state board for its consideration and determination.

(f) Approval status. Each new program shall be approved with stipulation or not approved.

(g) Annual report.

(1) If a new program is approved with stipulation, the institution shall submit a progress report to the commissioner within 60 days after completion of the second semester of operation of the program, and thereafter in each of the institution's annual reports that are due on or before July 30.

(2) Each progress report shall be submitted by the commissioner to the evaluation review committee for its examination and analysis. Following review of the progress report, the evaluation review committee may remove any areas for improvement and change the status to approved until the institution’s next program review.

(h) Change of approval status.

(1) At any time, the approval status of a teacher education program may be changed by the state board if, after providing an opportunity for a hearing, the state board finds that the institution either has failed to meet substantially the program standards or has materially changed the program. For just cause, the duration of the approval status of a program may be extended by the state board. The duration of the current approval status of a program shall be extended automatically if the program is in the process of being reevaluated by the state board. This extension shall be counted as part of any subsequent approval period of a program.

(2) At the time of an institution's next on-site visit, the new program shall be reviewed pursuant to K.A.R. 91-1-236.

(3) For licensure purposes, each teacher education program that is approved with stipulation shall be considered to be approved. (Authorized by and implementing Article 6, Section 2(a) of the Kansas Constitution; effective Aug. 6, 2004; amended Aug. 12, 2011.)

91-1-236. Procedures for renewing approval of teacher education program.

(a) Application for program renewal.

(1) Each teacher education institution that desires to have the state board renew the approval status of one or more of its teacher education programs shall submit to the commissioner an application for program renewal. The application shall be submitted at least 12 months before the expiration of the current approval period of the program or programs.

(2) Each institution shall also submit a program report, which shall be in the form and shall contain the information prescribed by the commissioner. The program report shall be submitted at least six months before the expiration of the current approval period of the program or programs. The program report shall include confirmation that the candidates in the program will be required to complete the following:

(A) Coursework that constitutes a major in the subject at the institution or that is equivalent to a major; and

(B) at least 12 weeks of student teaching.

(b) Review team. Upon receipt of a complete program report, a review team shall be appointed by the commissioner to analyze the program report. The chairperson of the review team shall be designated by the commissioner. The number of review team members shall be determined by the
commissioner, based upon the scope of the program or programs to be reviewed. An institution may challenge the appointment of a review team member only on the basis of a conflict of interest.

(c) Program review process.

(1) In accordance with procedures adopted by the state board, each review team shall examine and analyze the program report and prepare a review report expressing the findings and conclusions of the review team. The review team's report shall be submitted to the commissioner. The report shall be forwarded by the commissioner to an appropriate representative of the teacher education institution.

(2) Any institution may prepare a written response to the review team's report. Each response shall be prepared and submitted to the commissioner within 45 days of receipt of the review team's report. The review team's report, any response filed by the institution, and any other supporting documentation shall be forwarded by the commissioner to the evaluation review committee.

(d) Initial recommendation. The evaluation review committee, in accordance with procedures adopted by the state board, shall prepare a written initial recommendation regarding the appropriate status to be assigned to the program or programs, which shall include a statement of the findings and conclusions of the evaluation review committee. The recommendation shall be submitted to an appropriate representative of the teacher education institution and to the commissioner.

(e) Request for hearing.

(1) Within 30 days of the receipt of an initial recommendation of the evaluation review committee, the teacher education institution may submit a written request to the commissioner for a hearing before the evaluation review committee to appeal the initial recommendation of the committee. This request shall specify, in detail, the basis for the appeal, including an identification of each item disputed by the institution.

(2) If a request for a hearing is submitted, the evaluation review committee shall conduct a hearing. The committee shall then prepare a written final recommendation regarding the appropriate status to be assigned to the program or programs, which shall include a statement of the findings and conclusions of the evaluation review committee. The final recommendation shall be submitted to an appropriate representative of the teacher education institution and to the commissioner. The final recommendation shall be submitted by the commissioner to the state board for its consideration and determination.

(3) If a request for a hearing is not submitted within the time allowed under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the initial recommendation of the evaluation review committee shall become the final recommendation of the review committee. The committee's final recommendation shall be submitted by the commissioner to the state board for its consideration and determination.

(f) Approval status.

(1) The status assigned to any teacher education program specified in this regulation shall be approved, approved with stipulation, or not approved.

(2) Subject to subsequent action by the state board, the assignment of approved status to a teacher education program shall be effective for seven academic years. However, the state board, at any time, may change the approval status of a program if, after providing an opportunity for a hearing, the state board finds that the institution either has failed to meet substantially the program standards adopted by the state board or has made a material change in a program. For just cause, the duration of the approval status of a program may be extended by the state board. The duration of the approval status of a program shall be extended automatically if the program is in the process of being reevaluated by the state board.

(3) (A) If a program is approved with stipulation, that status shall be effective for the period of time specified by the state board, which shall not exceed seven years.

(B) If any program of a teacher education institution is approved with stipulation, the institution shall include in an upgrade report to the commissioner the steps that the institution has taken and the progress that the institution has made during the previous academic year to address the deficiencies that were identified in the initial program review.
(C) The upgrade report shall be submitted by the commissioner to the evaluation review committee for its examination and analysis. After this examination and analysis, the evaluation review committee shall prepare a written recommendation regarding the status to be assigned to the teacher education program for the succeeding academic years. The recommendation shall include a statement of the findings and conclusions of the evaluation review committee. The recommendation shall be submitted to an appropriate representative of the teacher education institution and to the commissioner. If the institution does not agree with this recommendation, the institution may request a hearing according to the provisions in subsection (e).

(D) For licensure purposes, each teacher education program that is approved with stipulation shall be considered to be approved.

(4) Students shall be allowed two full, consecutive, regular semesters following the notification of final action by the state board to complete a program that is not approved. Summers and interterms shall not be counted as part of the two regular semesters. Students who finish within these two regular semesters may be recommended for licensure by the college or university.

(Authorized by and implementing Article 6, Section 2(a) of the Kansas Constitution; effective Aug. 6, 2004; amended Aug. 12, 2011.)
REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

**Staff Initiating:** Dale Dennis  
**Deputy Commissioner:** Dale Dennis  
**Interim Commissioner:** Brad Neuenswander

**Item Title:** Request from USD 290, Ottawa, Franklin County, to hold a bond election

**Board Goals:**
Provide a flexible and efficient delivery system to meet our students’ varied and changing needs

**Recommended Motion:**
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education issue an Order authorizing USD 290, Ottawa, Franklin County, to hold an election on the question of issuing bonds in excess of the district's general bond debt limitation.

**Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:**
Under KSA 75-2315 et seq., a school district may request that the State Board of Education authorize the district to hold an election on the question of issuing bonds in an amount which would cause the district's bonded indebtedness to exceed the district's general bond debt limitation. USD 290, Ottawa, Franklin County, has made such a request. If approved, the district could hold an election on the question of whether additional bonds be issued. If the voters approve such action, the district could issue the bonds. USD 290 plans to use the bond proceeds to pay the costs to: (1) construct, furnish and equip a new elementary school on land owned by the district; (2) construct, furnish, equip, repair, remodel and make additions to Ottawa High School; (3) construct, furnish, equip, repair and remodel portions of Garfield Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School, and Ottawa Middle School, including the installation of safe and secure entries; and (4) repair and remodel mechanical and electrical systems throughout the district.

Based upon the following criteria, staff recommends that this bond application be approved.
1. The vote to submit the bond application by the local board of education was unanimous.
2. The community was involved in the process of the building proposal.
3. All required forms were properly filed with us, along with an appropriate notice for the election.
4. The district outlined the needs for the building project by responding to all questions required by the State Board of Education.
5. An outside consultant was utilized in determining the school district needs.
6. The age of the existing building(s) appears to justify a bond election.
7. The application indicates that the building(s) are in need of major repairs in order to provide the necessary student programs.
### Summary of Appeal to State Board of Education to Allow Local Vote on Exceeding Debt Limit

**Unified School District 290 (Ottawa) County: Franklin**

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### Forms Requested

- (X) 5-210-118 General Information
- (X) 5-210-106 Resolution
- (X) 5-210-108 Publication Notice
- (X) 5-210-110 Application
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- (X) Schematic floor plan of the proposed facilities
- (X) Map of the school district showing present facilities
- (X) Small map of the school district showing the adjoining school districts
- (X) Map of the school district showing proposed facilities

January 30, 2015  
Craig Neuenswander  
Director, School Finance

January 30, 2015  
Dale M. Dennis  
Deputy Commissioner
REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Staff Initiating: Dale Dennis  Deputy Commissioner: Dale Dennis  Interim Commissioner: Brad Neuenswander

Item Title:
Request from USD 203, Piper, Wyandotte County, to hold a bond election

Board Goals:
Provide a flexible and efficient delivery system to meet our students’ varied and changing needs

Recommended Motion:
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education issue an Order authorizing USD 203, Piper, Wyandotte County, to hold an election on the question of issuing bonds in excess of the district's general bond debt limitation.

Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:
Under KSA 75-2315 et seq., a school district may request that the State Board of Education authorize the district to hold an election on the question of issuing bonds in an amount which would cause the district's bonded indebtedness to exceed the district's general bond debt limitation. USD 203, Piper, Wyandotte County, has made such a request. If approved, the district could hold an election on the question of whether additional bonds be issued. If the voters approve such action, the district could issue the bonds. USD 203 plans to use the bond proceeds to pay the costs to construct, equip, furnish, repair, remodel and make additions to buildings used for school district purposes, including but not limited to, constructing, equipping, and furnishing a new high school.

Based upon the following criteria, staff recommends that this bond application be approved.

1. The vote to submit the bond application by the local board of education was unanimous.
2. The district is experiencing a growth in enrollment.
3. The community was involved in the process of the building proposal.
4. All required forms were properly filed with us, along with an appropriate notice for the election.
5. The district outlined the needs for the building project by responding to all questions required by the State Board of Education.
6. An outside consultant was utilized in determining the school district needs.
7. The application indicates that the building(s) are in need of major repairs in order to provide the necessary student programs.
Summary of Appeal to State Board of Education to Allow Local Vote on Exceeding Debt Limit

Unified School District 203 (Piper)  County: Wyandotte

1. Current equalized assessed tangible valuation * $173,472,735
2. Percentage of bond debt limit 14%
3. Amount of bond debt limit $24,286,183
4. State Aid Percentage 5%

* Includes assessed valuation of motor vehicle

Percent of Equalized Assessed Valuation - Current Year

5. Amount of bond indebtedness at present time $28,370,000 16.4
6. Amount of bond indebtedness requested $67,500,000 38.9
7. Total amount of bond indebtedness if request approved (Lines 5 + 6) $95,870,000 55.3
8. Estimated amount of bond indebtedness authorized without approval $24,286,183 14.0
9. Amount of bond indebtedness above bond debt limit requested $71,583,817 41.3

Forms Requested

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February 16, 2015  Craig Neuenswander
Date  Director, School Finance

February 16, 2015  Dale M. Dennis
Date  Deputy Commissioner
REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Staff Initiating:Tierney Kirtdoll  Director:Scott Smith  Deputy Commissioner:Brad Neuenswander  Interim Commissioner:Brad Neuenswander

Item Title:
Act on recommendations for continued funding of Title II Part B Math and Science Partnership Grants for 2015-2016.

Board Goals:
Provide a flexible and efficient delivery system to meet our students’ varied and changing needs

Recommended Motion:
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education approve continued funding of Title II Part B Math and Science Partnership Grants for 2015-2016 in the amounts specified below contingent upon demonstration that applicants are meeting grant requirements.

Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:
The Title II Part B Mathematics and Science Partnerships, one part of Public Law 107-110 "No Child Left Behind" Act, is intended to increase the academic achievement of students in mathematics and science by enhancing the content knowledge and teaching skills of classroom teachers. Kansas' grants focus on improving mathematics knowledge of K-12 teachers through two-week intensive professional development institutes and at least four days of follow-up, job-embedded professional development throughout the school year.

Kansas received $1,075,278 of which $1,021,514 must be awarded to school districts specifically through a competitive grant process that partners a high-need school district, an institution of higher education mathematics teacher preparation program and a mathematics or engineering department.

The grants are for three years with year two and three funding dependent on continued Congressional funding and grantees fulfilling grant requirements. The range of funding for this year is $110,000 - $150,000. The amounts below are contingent upon demonstration that applicants are meeting grant requirements.

The following institutions are recommended for third year of funding. The specific award amounts will be determined in early March and provided as supplemental information at the State Board meeting.

University of Saint Mary - in partnership with USD 453

Emporia State University - in partnership with USD 420, USD 434, USD 251, USD 454, USD 244 & USD 421

Topeka, USD 501 - in partnership with Emporia State University

Kansas State University - in partnership with USD 383 & USD 475
REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Item Title:
Act to initiate contract for investigation of special education complaints

Board Goals:
Governmental responsibility

Recommended Motion:
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education authorize the Commissioner of Education to initiate a bid process to enter into contract for the purpose of investigating special education complaints with said contract to be for a period of six years, and for an amount not to exceed $50,000 per year.

Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:
The Early Childhood, Special Education and Title Services team requests the initiation of a contract with an individual to conduct special education complaint investigations, in order to comply with the federal special education requirements. This request is being made to replace Dr. Richard Whelan, who recently passed away. Dr. Whelan was one of two complaint investigators previously approved and under contract to conduct special education complaint investigations.

This request is made to enable the State to continue to meet its obligation to implement procedures to investigate and prepare written reports in response to complaints that allege schools are violating special education laws or regulations. A special education complaint investigator must: (a) have a thorough knowledge of both federal and state special education statutes and regulations; (b) be able to apply these statutes and regulations to specific controversies; and (c) have superior writing skills. In addition, by state regulation, complaint investigations must be completed within 30 days of the day they are received by the state department of education [K.A.R. 91-40-51(c)(3)]. Therefore, a special education complaint investigator must have the time and flexibility to be available to conduct investigations as the complaints come into the department. The requested contract term is for six years from the date the contract is initiated. The current contracts for complaint investigators are for $40 per hour, plus expenses.
REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

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**Item Title:**
Act on contract with Southwest Plains Regional Service Center

**Board Goals:**
Provide a flexible and efficient delivery system to meet our students’ varied and changing needs

**Recommended Motion:**
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education authorize the Commissioner of Education to enter into a contract with Southwest Plains Regional Service Center to provide services to the Kansas Learning Network (KLN) and Kansas schools identified as On Watch for the 2015-2016 school year in an amount not to exceed $970,219.

**Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:**
Southwest Plains Regional Service Center will provide support and direct services, including technical assistance, personnel preparation, and professional development and training to the Focus and Priority Schools identified in the Kansas ESEA Flexibility Waiver.

The ESEA Flexibility Waiver requires KSDE to identify schools that are "not making progress." KSDE has chosen to define "not making progress" schools as those schools that were not identified as Focus or Priority Schools, yet have been determined to belong to the next lowest 5 percent tier in each of these categories. These schools are referred to as "On Watch." The waiver requires these schools to write and implement a school improvement plan. Southwest Plains Regional Service Center employs Kansas Learning Network (KLN) Implementation Coaches to assist with the work.

Southwest Plains Regional Service Center shall provide the following services:

1. Assign, support, evaluate and compensate the state's Implementation Coaches (ICs) and District Facilitators (DFs);
2. Coordinate professional learning for all KLN leadership teams, ICs, DFs and the Kansas Integrated Innovation Team (KIIT) members;
3. Provide clear lines of consistent communication among all project providers including: KSDE, KLN, Network Service Provider (NSP), Technical Assistance System Network (TASN), ICs and DFs; and
4. Support the work of Southwest Plains as it assists On Watch schools in developing their school improvement plans and beginning implementation.
REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Staff Initiating: Christine Macy
Director: Colleen Riley
Deputy Commissioner: Brad Neuenswander
Interim Commissioner: Brad Neuenswander

Item Title:
Act on Contract with the University of Kansas Center for Research for Grant Management and Technical Assistance for 21st Century Community Learning Centers

Board Goals:
Provide a flexible and efficient delivery system to meet our students’ varied and changing needs

Recommended Motion:
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education authorize the Commissioner of Education to negotiate and enter into a contract with the University of Kansas Center for Research (KUCR) to assist in the grant management and technical assistance of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers in a contract amount not to exceed $275,000 for the 2015-2016 school year.

Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:
The 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program (21st CCLC) is a federally funded competitive grant for after-school programs. The Kansas State Department of Education has previously partnered with KUCR to provide technical assistance and grantee program management.

The Kansas State Department of Education proposes to contract with the KUCR in an amount not to exceed $275,000 to continue to provide the 21st CCLC grantees required technical assistance and to assist with the grant management process during the 2015-2016 school year. The contract will include managing the local grant competitions, providing professional development and technical assistance for 94 grantees, conducting site visits, facilitating multiple trainings and meetings, providing technical assistance for local program evaluations, and coordinating the sustainability development process.
REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Staff Initiating:  Karen Maddox
Director:    Colleen Riley
Deputy Commissioner: Brad Neuenswander
Interim Commissioner: Brad Neuenswander

Item Title:
Act to enter into a contract with the Kansas State School for the Blind

Board Goals:
Provide an effective educator in every classroom

Recommended Motion:
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education authorize the Commissioner of Education to enter into a contract with the Kansas State School for the Blind on behalf of the federal Deaf-Blind Project to make payment in an amount not to exceed $13,000 for enrollment of Kansas educators in an intervener training program.

Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:
The purpose is to provide additional funding for expanding the Kansas Federal Deaf-Blind Project's existing efforts to recruit, screen, select, and coordinate Kansas district education team members who work with learners who are deaf-blind to receive non-credit intervener training/professional development. The Kansas State School for the Blind houses and serves as the fiscal agent for the Kansas Federal Deaf-Blind Project and staff.

Federal funds per IDEA Section 34 CFR 300.704(b)(4)(I) are authorized to provide support and direct services, including technical assistance, personnel preparation and professional development. The non-credit bearing intervener training program is comprised of two, four-credit hour courses and one, four-credit hour practicum at the rate of $130 per hour. Five, two-member teams are eligible to receive $1,040 (per person) worth of support for eight non-credit bearing coursework hours per teacher and $1,560 (per person) worth of support for 12 non-credit bearing coursework hours per para-educator. No indirect costs are allowed.

The federal Deaf-Blind Project staff will a) recruit, screen and select appropriate Kansas education team members who qualify for entry into the professional development program; b) will gain support of team members’ administrators for enrollment and course completion; c) assist with course selection and enroll Kansas team members; d) make payment to the intervener training providers; e) provide onsite and/or online practicum supervision; f) provide a community of practice to team members to improve sustainability of the newly acquired intervener skills; g) provide the number enrolled, number of courses completed, number of community of practice members, and number of mentee and mentor partnerships to KSDE.
REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Item Title:
Act on Petition for Reconsideration of PPC Order

Board Goals:
Governmental responsibility

Recommended Motion:
It is moved that the Kansas State Board of Education adopt or reject the Petition for Reconsideration submitted by Eden Bloom and reaffirm the findings of fact and conclusions of the Board in its Final Order entered Jan. 14, 2015, which adopted the recommendation of the Professional Practices Commission (PPC) after a 9-0 vote of the Board.

Explanation of Situation Requiring Action:
Provided for your reference are:
- Ms. Bloom’s Petition for Reconsideration
- Ms. Bloom’s supplemental documentation
- Final Order regarding the Professional Teaching License of Eden Bloom
January 26, 2015

Dear KDOE:

On January 25, 2014, I mailed a letter to you informing you that I am requesting a reconsideration of the order against me. I am filing this as my "Petition for Reconsideration" per the order I received.

I have included a copy of my previous letter with this one as documentation. Included with this letter is a copy of a document from the Kansas Department of Labor dated December 20, 2013. This document states that "...the claimant was discharged, but not for misconduct connected with the work." For this reason, in addition to the others cited in the other letters and in the journal entry documentation I have twice sent copies of to the state, I do not comprehend how the KDOE can continue to withhold my teaching license from me. The orders I receive each state "misconduct" as the reason for withholding my license, but according to documentation, I was previously found not to have engaged in any misconduct associated with my teaching job(work).

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Eden N. Bloom
DECISION

APPEARANCES: Eden Bloom appeared for the claimant. The employer did not forward a telephone number in accordance with written instructions for telephone hearings and/or Notice of Hearing and did not appear.

ISSUE(S): (1) Should the claimant be disqualified for benefits because of claimant's separation from work? (2) Should the employer's experience rating account be charged because of claimant's separation from work?

The claimant filed a timely appeal from an examiner's determination which found the claimant disqualified for benefits until the claimant returns to work and earns $1,407 after May 17, 2013, because the claimant was discharged for misconduct connected with the work. In support of that decision, the examiner made the following determination of fact: "Claimant was discharged for insubordination. The employer has the right to expect a worker to perform the work in an orderly and obedient manner. Failure to perform in this manner is a violation of a duty or obligation reasonably owed the employer as a condition of employment: The claimant was discharged for misconduct connected with the work." The employer's experience rating account will not be charged.

FINDINGS OF FACT: The claimant earned $4,100 per month as a Teacher. The claimant worked from August 1999 to May 15, 2013. The employer discharged the claimant without explanation on May 15, 2013.

OPINION: The department must pay unemployment benefits to a claimant who was discharged unless the employer proves that the reason for discharge was misconduct connected with the work. Under the employment security law, misconduct is defined as "a violation of a duty or obligation reasonably owed the employer as a condition of employment including, but not limited to, a violation of a company rule, including a safety rule, if: (A) The individual knew or should have known about the rule; (B) the rule was lawful and reasonably related to the job; and (C) the rule was fairly and consistently enforced." [K.S.A. 44-706(b)(1)]

Kansas law also provides that a contributing base period employer’s account shall be charged when a claimant is discharged, unless there is a ruling that the claimant was discharged for misconduct connected with the work. [K.S.A. 44-710(c)]

Based on the evidence and the testimony in the record, the claimant was discharged under circumstances which do not constitute misconduct connected with the work, as outlined above. Misconduct is a violation of a duty or obligation reasonably owed the employer as a condition of employment. Under Kansas law, in a discharge case, the employer has the burden of proving misconduct connected with the work. The employer discharged the claimant on May 15, 2013 without explanation. The employer did not participate in the hearing. The employer failed to meet their burden of proving misconduct connected with the work.

**DECISION:** The examiner’s determination is reversed. The claimant is qualified for benefits beginning May 17, 2013, because the claimant was discharged, but not for misconduct connected with the work. The employer’s experience rating account is charged.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

A. C. Kweli,
Appeals Referee

*NOTICE*: Appeal rights if you disagree with this decision: You have 16 days after December 20, 2013, to file an appeal to the Employment Security Board of Review before it becomes final and no longer subject to further review within the agency. You may file a written appeal by mail, fax, or hand delivery to the Employment Security Board of Review, 401 SW Topeka Blvd, Topeka KS 66603; faxed or postmarked on or before the final date. The fax number is (785) 296-4065. (If the 16th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday, the next working date is the final date.) The Board will affirm or reverse this decision after reviewing your written appeal and the evidence presented on the record at the hearing before the Referee in the Office of Appeals.
January 25, 2015

Eden N. Bloom
504 N. Topeka
El Dorado, KS 67042

Dear Kansas Department of Education:

I received your latest order on January 20, 2015. The Board is using evidence against me that has already been suppressed, and, therefore, can not be used against me in any faculty. I reiterate as follows:

1. I have no drug charges against me.
2. I have no drug convictions against me.
3. I have no felony charges against me.
4. I have no felony convictions on my record.
5. I was not cited for "misconduct" as you put it. Misconduct is not even a misdemeanor charge or any charge for that matter. Misconduct can be defined in a variety of ways, none of which were applied to my case in court.
6. I have a clean KBI record. I know this as I am currently working at a job that required a KBI check for employment.

In addition to the above, the law has not changed that would not allow a person to retain a teacher’s license due to a felony conviction, which again, I have no conviction, nor charges in this capacity. For the above reasons, I am disputing the ruling of the Board and requesting a review.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Eden N. Bloom
BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of
the Professional License
of Eden N. Bloom

14-PPC-31
14ED0003

FINAL ORDER

NOW, on this January 14, 2015, the above-captioned matter comes on for consideration by the Kansas State Board of Education (Board) upon the complaint filed against the professional license of Eden N. Bloom.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Eden N. Bloom was licensed by the Kansas State Board of Education from 1992 to 2013. She currently has an outstanding application to renew her professional license.

2. Ms. Bloom engaged in misconduct on or about May 15th, 2013 by possessing a Schedule II controlled substance known as methamphetamine. Methamphetamine, an illegal substance, was found inside Ms. Bloom's purse while it was locked inside a filing cabinet inside of a classroom at Newton High School. Ms. Bloom taught at Newton High School at the time of the misconduct.

3. Ms. Bloom engaged in misconduct on or about May 15th, 2013 when she returned to Newton High School and refused to leave after being told the previous afternoon that she was to leave school grounds and not return. On May 15th, 2013, Ms. Bloom was asked by a Newton Police Officer to leave and had to be forcibly removed.

4. Ms. Bloom engaged in misconduct on or about May 15, 2013 by possessing drug paraphernalia, to wit: a small glass pipe and/or straw used to store, contain, conceal, ingest, inhale, or otherwise introduce a controlled substance into the human body.

5. The Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) filed a Complaint pursuant to K.A.R. 91-22-5a on Sept. 9th, 2014. That same complaint was mailed by certified mail to the last known address of Ms. Bloom on Sept. 10, 2014.

6. The Licensee received the Complaint, but she did not request a hearing.

7. The Complaint specifically advises the Licensee that "If no answer is filed within 20 days, Applicant will be deemed to have admitted the allegations contained in the complaint and acquiesced in the proposed action. An Initial Order will be entered recommending the revocation of your teaching license and all endorsements for the reasons stated in the Complaint and that notice of the revocation will be provided to all education agencies in the State of Kansas and to the agency responsible for issuing educator licenses/certificates in each of the other states." The Board finds Ms. Bloom submitted an Answer by way of the letter sent to Dr. Scott Myers at KSDE. Ms. Bloom’s
Answer does not specifically deny any allegations contained in the Complaint. Ms. Bloom did not deny that she possessed methamphetamine or that she had to be forcibly removed from Newton High School.

8. Ms. Bloom’s letter / answer was reviewed taken into consideration by the Professional Practices Commission. The Board reviewed the Complaint, Ms. Bloom’s answer, Ms. Bloom’s letter written directly to the Board dated December 12, 2014 (letter #2), and KSDE’s Response to letter #2 as well as all exhibits attached to KSDE’s Response. The Board considers letter #2 to be Ms. Bloom’s written brief as to why the recommendations of the Commission should not be accepted.

CONCLUSIONS

1. Any license issued by the State Board may be suspended or revoked, or the license holder may be publicly censured by the State Board for misconduct or other just cause; including the commission of any crime punishable as a felony. K.A.R. 91-22-1a.

2. Pursuant to K.S.A. 72-8501, the Legislature has declared teaching and school administration to be professions in Kansas with all the similar rights, responsibilities and privileges accorded other legally recognized professions. An educator is in a position of public trust.

3. Ms. Bloom’s conduct is inconsistent with the commonly-held perceptions and expectations of a member of the teaching profession. Such conduct violates the public trust and confidence placed in members of the profession.

4. Ms. Bloom’s conduct demonstrates a lack of fitness to perform the duties and responsibilities of a member of the teaching and school administration professions and is sufficient and just cause for denying Applicant’s license.

Having regard for the nature and seriousness of Ms. Bloom’s misconduct, the Kansas State Board of Education hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the Professional Practices Commission and revokes the professional teaching license of Eden Bloom effective immediately.

This Final Order is made and entered this 14th day of January, 2015

Kansas State Board of Education

BY: Jim McNiece, Chairman
NOTICE TO APPLICANT:

You may request a reconsideration of the above Order. To do so, you must file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Secretary to the State Board of Education, at the address stated below, within 15 days after service of this Final Order. The Petition must state the specific grounds upon which relief is requested.

The filing of a Petition for Reconsideration is not a prerequisite for seeking judicial review.

Peggy Hill
Secretary, KSBE
Landon State Office Building
900 SW Jackson Ave. Suite 600N
Topeka, KS 66612

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on this ___ day of January, 2015, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Final Order was deposited in the U.S. Mail, postage paid, addressed to:

Eden N. Bloom
504 N. Topeka
El Dorado, KS 67042

And via interoffice mail to:

R. Scott Gordon
General Counsel, KSDE
Landon State Office Building
900 SW Jackson Ave., Suite 102
Topeka, KS 66612

Peggy Hill, Secretary
Kansas State Board of Education
To: Kansas State Board of Education
From: Peggy Hill
Subject: Monthly Board Reports & Requests for Future Agenda Items

These updates will include:

1. Committee Reports
2. Board Attorney’s Report
3. Individual Board Member Reports and Requests for Future Agenda Items
4. Chairman’s Report
To: Board Members
From: Peggy Hill
Subject: Board Member Travel

Travel requests submitted prior to the meeting will be considered for approval by the Board.

Upcoming deadlines for reporting salary/payroll information to the Board office are:

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KANSAS STATE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNUAL VISIT
Parks-Bilger IEP Conference Room
Wednesday, March 11, 2015

AGENDA

9:00 A.M. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS
Madeleine Burkindine, Superintendent

9:10 A.M. CURRICULUM & ASSESSMENT
Larry Finn, Curriculum & Assessment Coordinator
MTSS
Luanne Barron, Assistant Superintendent

9:40 A.M. STUDENT SUCCESS STORIES
Students

10:40 A.M. UPDATE ON APARTMENT PROGRAM
Mary Hughes, Elementary Dean

10:50 A.M. BIRTH – 3 YEARS OLD
Angie Walker, Outreach Educational Consultant
EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM
Luanne Barron, Assistant Superintendent

11:10 A.M. TOUR EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM

11:25 A.M. LUNCH IN CAFETERIA

12:00 P.M. DEPART FOR KSSB
KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNUAL VISIT
KSSB Library
Wednesday, March 11, 2015

AGENDA

1:00 P.M. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS, Madeleine Burkindine, Superintendent

1:10 P.M. BUILDING EXEMPLARY PRACTICES, Jon Harding, Director of Instruction
- Community Based Instruction
- Team Teaching
- Learning for Life
- Family Engagement (Parent Weekend)
- Professional Development – Friday Focus Groups
- Teacher Evaluation

1:30 P.M. BRIEF UPDATE – BRAILLE CHALLENGE, Helen Hahn, English Language Arts Teacher

STUDENT PRESENTATIONS

2:10 P.M. BUILDING LOCAL CAPACITY ACROSS KANSAS, Aundrayah Shermer, Outreach Director
- Building Relationships with Regional Special Education Directors through KASEA
- Identification of Teachers in Regional Areas to Train as TVIs/COMS
- Mentoring, Coaching
- Chat ‘n Chews
- Community O&M
- Assisting with Best Practices

3:00 P.M. BOARD ADJOURNS TO MAXWELL CONFERENCE ROOM FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION
FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING PERSONNEL MATTERS OF NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL