KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Minutes
June 12, 2018

CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Jim Porter called the monthly meeting of the Kansas State Board of Education to order at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 12, 2018, in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas. He welcomed those in attendance.

ROLL CALL
All Board members were present:
John Bacon       Jim McNiece
Kathy Busch      Jim Porter
Sally Cauble    Steve Roberts
Deena Horst      Janet Waugh
Ann Mah          Ken Willard

STATE BOARD MISSION STATEMENT, MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Chairman Porter read both the Board’s Mission Statement and Kansans Can Vision Statement. He then asked for a moment of silence after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA
Chairman Porter announced two amendments to the Consent Agenda. Item 20 c. would only include action on the reappointment of Nathan Reed to the Professional Practices Commission. Item 20 q. was added as a request to contract with Education Elements. Mrs. Horst moved to approve the Tuesday agenda as amended. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

APPROVAL OF THE MAY MEETING MINUTES
Mr. McNiece moved to approve the minutes of the May 8 and 9 regular Board meeting and the May 14 Special Board meeting. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT
Commissioner Randy Watson utilized this time for a Literacy Network of Kansas (LiNK) update and announcement. LiNK was created from a $27 million federal literacy grant awarded to Kansas last fall from the U.S. Department of Education. LiNK projects focus on significantly impacting literacy growth and development for children birth through grade 12. Dr. Suzanne Myers, LiNK Project Director, described the competitive application process and selection criteria. The eight top-scoring applications represent 32 school districts that either applied individually or as part of a consortium. In all, 96 percent of the federal award will be distributed over three years to subgrantees. The grant is a project of the USDE’s Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Initiative. Dr. Watson concluded the report to Board members by prefacing this month’s Mercury 7 presentations, acknowledging support from the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation for regional redesign training, and commenting on teacher-led EdCamp sessions being conducted across the state.

CITIZENS’ OPEN FORUM
Chairman Porter declared the Citizens’ Forum open at 10:36 a.m. Speakers and their topics were:
Sue Kidd and Cindy Patton, Kansas Character Development Initiative — recognition of Dr. Watson as a Champion of Character for his role with social emotional character development in Kansas schools.
Chairman Porter declared the Citizens’ Forum closed at 10:45 a.m.
ACTION ON KANSAS STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND GOAL FIVE
Interim Superintendent Jon Harding reviewed the elements of KSSB’s Goal Five. Mrs. Cauble moved to adopt the proposed recommendations from the Kansas State School for the Blind for improving student transitions through a more individualized approach. This is the fifth and final presentation of specific goals to set the direction of KSSB. Mrs. Waugh seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

ACTION ON KANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF GOAL FIVE
Interim Superintendent Luanne Barron provided an overview of statewide efforts to support students’ transition to life after KSD. This completed the presentation on each of five specific goals established for the School for the Deaf. Mrs. Horst moved to adopt recommendations from the Kansas School for the Deaf for supporting postsecondary outcomes. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

UPDATE ON KANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF/NEA NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT
Board Attorney Mark Ferguson reported on work of the KSD/NEA negotiations bargaining team. He acknowledged an exchange of redline proposals between the School for the Deaf administrative team and teacher unit. He provided a printed copy of a tentative agreement. State Board action is anticipated in July after the teachers’ group ratifies the two-year agreement.

DISCUSSION ON STATE BOARD’S PARTICIPATION WITH THE COALITION OF INNOVATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS
The Coalition of Innovative Districts was created by the Legislature and became law in July 2013. The Act allows up to 10 percent of the state’s school districts to opt out of most state laws, rules and regulations in exchange for setting higher student achievement goals. Commissioner Watson provided a brief history of the Coalition and the State Board’s involvement and then referenced Bylaw stipulations that are not in statute. He distributed proposed changes, which he will present to the Coalition Board at their next meeting. The Coalition’s membership currently consists of seven school districts, two of which are now involved with the school redesign project. No action was taken this month, but recommendations are expected to be reviewed again in August.

ACTION ON KSDE REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT
KSDE General Counsel Scott Gordon requested permission to address the State Board and provide oral arguments in July regarding forthcoming recommendations of the Professional Practices Commission. Mrs. Busch moved to grant KSDE’s request for oral argument during the July meeting. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

ACTION ON APPOINTMENTS TO THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
The Special Education Advisory Council works collaboratively to provide leadership for continuous improvement of educational systems to ensure equity and enhance learning for all students in Kansas. KSDE Director Colleen Riley spoke on behalf of the SEAC to present considerations for Council reappointments and appointments.

Mrs. Cauble moved to reappoint Tina Gibson (representing general education teachers), Deb Young and Sarah Schaffer (both representing a person with a disability) for their second three-year terms on the SEAC, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

Mrs. Busch moved to appoint Rachel Marsh (representing foster care), Megan Laurent (representing a parent of a child with giftedness) and Jennifer King (representing public charter school/local education agency) to the SEAC, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021. Mrs. Waugh seconded. Motion carried 10-0.
ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

Linda Sieck, Chair of the Professional Practices Commission, participated remotely to present recommendations of the Commission on licensure cases this month. Mr. McNiece moved to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the PPC and impose no discipline of Phillip Van Horn or Jessica Boldridge. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0. Next, Mrs. Sieck presented two other cases for action. Mr. Roberts moved to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the PPC and deny the application of Debra Ellebracht and revoke the license of Melinda Wilson. Mrs. Cauble seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

CONTINUATION OF SEAC APPOINTMENTS

Nominations were made and duly seconded. Mr. Porter moved to appoint Heath Peine (USD 353) as local education agency representative on the SEAC, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0. Then, Mrs. Busch moved to appoint Heidi Cornell (Wichita State University) as Institute of Higher Education-Special Education representative on the SEAC, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

ACTION ON ESTABLISHING EX-OFFICIO POSITIONS ON SEAC

Following the SEAC appointments, members discussed adding positions to serve in an Ex-Officio capacity. The suggested positions were for Senate Education Chair or designee, House Education Chair or designee, and Disability Rights Center of Kansas representative. Mr. McNiece moved to add three ex-officio members to the Special Education Advisory Council as recommended. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0. Suggestions were made for receiving an advance list of committee members, knowledge of nomination/approval deadlines, and possible addition of a NEA representative to SEAC.

At 12:02 p.m., the Board recessed for lunch until 1:30 p.m.

RECOGNITION OF KANSAS SUPERINTENDENT AND PRINCIPALS OF THE YEAR

Chairman Porter called the afternoon session to order and welcomed Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis, who introduced the Kansas Superintendent of the Year and Principals of the Year as selected and recognized by their peers. Each honoree commented how their school staffs are supporting the Kansans Can vision. Highlights included addressing social emotional needs of students, more projects for parental involvement, student-led conferences and establishing positive relationships.

Recipients are: John Allison, Superintendent at Olathe USD 233, 2018 Kansas Superintendent of the Year as named by the Kansas School Superintendents Association; Michael King, Principal at Dodge City M.S. (Dodge City USD 443), 2017-18 Kansas Middle School Principal of the Year as named by the Kansas Association of Middle School Administrators; and Tad Hatfield, Principal at Andale Elementary (Renwick USD 267), 2018 National Distinguished Principal of the Year as named by the Kansas Association of Elementary School Principals. Honoree Ben Jimenez was unable to attend. Mr. Jimenez is Principal at Decatur Community Jr-Sr High School (Oberlin USD 294) and was named 2017-18 Kansas High School Principal of the Year by the Kansas Association of Secondary School Principals.

A short break followed for photos and certificate presentations.

UPDATE ON KANSANS CAN STATE-LEVEL OUTCOME: SOCIAL EMOTIONAL GROWTH

Staff with the Early Childhood, Special Education and Title Services team provided an overview of progress made during the past year on the State Board’s outcome for social emotional growth. Board members received updates on specific strategies, including centralized access to resources for required and recommended trainings. They learned about developments centered on an integrated learning process and contributions from outside partners. Other highlights were organization of the first Kansas School Mental Health Conference, collaboration with the School Mental Health Advisory...
Council, training and coaching throughout the state, and collaboration with standards’ revision. Board members’ suggestions included replacing the term “college and career competencies” with “postsecondary” to better describe vision goals, meeting professional development training needs and relaying progress to the legislature.

**RECEIVE MODEL STANDARDS FOR SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL AND CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT**

The Social, Emotional and Character Development standards for Kansas recently underwent a review as part of the legislative review mandate. Committee Co-Chair Noalee McDonald-Augustine and Education Program Consultant Kent Reed presented the draft standards for the State Board’s consideration. They highlighted proposed changes to the standards such as improving content for prevention and school mental health as well as addressing social development. Emphasis was placed on knowing, practicing and modeling. Board comments during discussion focused on adding the topic of humility, tailoring benchmarks to age rather than grade level, and ensuring systems are addressing social emotional growth within the accreditation process. There is a public comment period on the proposed changes. The Board is expected to vote on the revised standards in July.

**BREAK**

There was a break until 3:55 p.m.

**ACTION ON MERCURY 7 SCHOOLS’ REDESIGN PLANS: WELLINGTON AND COFFEYVILLE**

The seven school districts participating in the Kansans Can School Redesign Project each presented their redesign plans to the State Board of Education for acceptance just ahead of August’s launch. Officially referred to as the Mercury 7, their projects are each named after one of the Mercury 7 astronauts. KSDE school redesign specialists Tammy Mitchell and Jay Scott introduced the guests, who they credited with creating a new frontier in Kansas education. Criteria that the selected elementary and secondary schools focus on are: the five outcomes established by the Kansas State Board of Education, the five elements identified as defining a successful Kansas high school graduate, and what Kansans said they want their schools to provide and look like in the future. The redesign plans are to be accomplished using existing resources.

Each school highlighted areas of focus, many of which have been piloted during the past year. Some common themes were: project-based learning, self-paced learning, more student choice, student-led conferences, increased service opportunities, focus on social-emotional growth, flexible school-day schedules and establishment of multi-grade school families or communities.

Wellington USD 353 (Astronaut Scott Carpenter Project) — Specific elements were additions of an instructional coach and college/career facilitator, on-site therapist, flexible learning time from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., STEAM lab. Mr. McNiece moved to accept the redesign plans of Wellington USD 353 for Kennedy Elementary and Wellington High School as presented for the Mercury 7 Project and to be implemented by the 2018-19 school year. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

Coffeyville USD 445 (Astronaut John Glenn Project) — Specific elements were on-site fully staffed health/dental/mental clinics, kindergarten class housed at the nursing home, age-appropriate social skill training, service learning hours, increased student advisory time, emphasis on developing soft skills. Mr. Porter move to accept the redesign plans of Coffeyville USD 445 for Community Elementary, Roosevelt Middle and Field Kindley High School as presented for the Mercury 7 Project and to be implemented by the 2018-19 school year. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

Following each presentation, time was allowed for questions, comments, acknowledgement of any challenges, awarding of banners and photo opportunities. Presentations of redesign plans continued during Wednesday’s meeting.
LEGISLATIVE MATTERS
Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis addressed upcoming bond election requests and bond caps plus the need to approve tentative standards and distribution of funds for safe and secure schools grants. He provided a historical account of past funding and options to consider as the Board prepares for next month’s discussion of Fiscal Year 2020 and FY 2021 budget recommendations to the legislature. Mr. Dennis addressed each of the many categories of aid.

CONSENT AGENDA
Mr. McNiece moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 10-0. In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

- received the monthly Personnel Report for May.
- confirmed personnel appointments of Melissa Valenza as Education Program Consultant on the Early Childhood, Special Education and Title Programs team, effective May 30, 2018, at an annual salary of $56,118.40; Christie Wyckoff as Public Service Administrator on the School Finance team, effective May 31, 2018, at an annual salary of $41,870.40.
- approved the reappointment of Nathan Reed, USD 310, to his first full three-year term on the Professional Practices Commission effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021, after filling a partial-term vacancy representing district public school administrators.
- accepted the following recommendations of the Evaluation Review Committee: accreditation through Dec. 31, 2024 for Friends University, and program approval for Bethel College — Biology 6-12, Chemistry 6-12, English Language Arts 6-12, History Government Social Studies 6-12, all continuing programs through Dec. 31, 2024; Emporia State University — Business 6-12, Chemistry 6-12, District Leadership PreK-12, Early Childhood Unified B-K, Early Childhood Unified B-3, Elementary K-6 (undergraduate), English Language Arts 5-8, English Language Arts 6-12, Foreign Language PreK-12, Gifted (K-6, 6-12, PreK-12), Physics 6-12, Reading Specialist PreK-12, all continuing programs through Dec. 31, 2024; Friends University — Biology 6-12, new program through Dec. 31, 2020; Pittsburg State University — Elementary Education Unified K-6, new program through Dec. 31, 2020; University of Saint Mary — Elementary K-6, Elementary accelerated K-6, English Language Arts 6-12, High Incidence (K-6, 5-8, 6-12), all continuing programs through Dec. 31, 2024.
- approved, with modifications, the in-service education plans for Greeley County Schools USD 200 and Topeka Public Schools USD 501.
- approved maintaining the current educator licensure fees for 2018-19, effective July 1, 2018.
- approved the Kansas Volunteer Commission’s recommendations for 2018-19 Kansas AmeriCorps subgrantees as follows: Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence $356,375; Harvesters Community Food Network $74,660; Kansas City Kansas Public School District $145,771; Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks $443,421; Rosedale Development Association $75,040; United Way of Douglas County $201,450; USD 260 Derby $209,048; USD 382 Pratt $103,442. Total funding: $1,609,207.
- approved IDEA Title VI-B Special Education Targeted Improvement Plan grants for 2018-19 as follows: USD 115 Nemaha Central (Marshall/Nemaha Co. Ed. Services Coop) $16,675; USD 202 Turner-Kansas City $31,443; USD 207 Ft. Leavenworth $14,386; USD 229 Blue Valley $121,200; USD 230 Spring Hill $12,761; USD 231 Gardner-Edgerton $24,887; USD 232 De Soto $29,134; USD 233 Olathe $145,814; USD 234 Ft. Scott $16,986; USD 244 Burlington (Coffey County SpEd Coop) $17,741; USD 253 Emporia (Flint Hills SpEd Coop) $59,784; USD 259 Wichita $351,381; USD 260 Derby $50,609; USD 261 Haysville $36,813; USD 263 Mulvane $18,094; USD 273 Beloit SpEd Coop $22,001; USD 282 West Elk (Chautauqua and Elk Co. SpEd Services) $17,225; USD 290
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Ottawa $21,229; USD 305 Salina (Central Kansas Coop in Education) $111,383; USD 308 Hutchinson $44,846; USD 320 Wamego Special Services Coop $25,870; USD 321 Kaw Valley $12,978; USD 330 Mission Valley $8,865; USD 333 Concordia (Learning Coop of North Central KS) $35,407; USD 336 Holton SpEd Coop $30,887; USD 345 Seaman $25,035; USD 353 Wellington $18,708; USD 364 Marysville (Marshall County SpEd Coop) $14,402; USD 368 Paola (East Central KS SpEd Coop) $69,962; USD 372 Silver Lake $11,420; USD 373 Newton (Harvey Co. SpEd Coop) $39,178; USD 379 Clay Center (Twin Lakes Education Coop) $26,142; USD 383 Manhattan-Ogden $43,550; USD 389 Eureka $12,315; USD 405 Lyons (Rice Co. Special Services Coop) $22,084; USD 407 Russell County $13,693; USD 409 Atchison Public Schools $18,908; USD 418 McPherson (McPherson County SpEd Coop) $39,185; USD 428 Great Bend (Barton Co. SpEd Program of Special Services) $38,231; USD 437 Auburn-Washburn $40,066; USD 450 Shawnee Heights $27,193; USD 457 Leavenworth $89,349; USD 458 Basehor-Linwood $17,283; USD 465 Winfield (Cowley County Special Services Coop) $53,477; USD 469 Lansing $19,440; USD 475 Geary County Schools $48,398; USD 480 Liberal $31,084; USD 489 Hays (Hays West Central KS SpEd Coop) $34,343; USD 495 Ft. Larned (Tri-County Special Services Coop) $16,469; USD 497 Lawrence $79,744; USD 500 Kansas City (Wyandotte Comprehensive SpEd Coop) $171,825; USD 501 Topeka Public Schools $113,195; USD 503 Shawnee Mission (Shawnee Mission Public Schools) $216,822; USD 504 Basehor-Linwood $17,283; USD 505 Nodaway-Holt $57,800; USD 506 South Central KS $75,601; USD 507 Sumner Co. Educational Service $9,235.

Total funding: $3,671,087.

- approved recommendations for funding Continuation Kansas 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grants for 2018-19 as follows: USD 101 Erie $93,452; USD 108 Washington County $125,000; USD 209 Moscow Public Schools $82,810; USD 210 Hugoton $75,000; USD 214 Ulysses $74,978; USD 218 Elkhart $75,000; USD 225 Fowler Public Schools $70,161; USD 244 Burlington $74,001; USD 248 Girard $69,932; USD 252 Southern Lyon $124,949; USD 257 Iola (Jefferson) $75,000; USD 257 Iola (McKinley/Lincoln) $75,000; USD 259 Wichita (Adams) $74,971; USD 259 (Clevelan) $61,813; USD 259 (Oriz) $61,813; USD 259 (Park) $72,305; USD 261 Haysville (Middle School) $73,000; USD 282 West Elk $119,120; USD 290 Ottawa (Garfield) $63,354; USD 290 Ottawa (Sunflower/Lincoln) $74,875; USD 349 Stafford (Elementary) $75,000; USD 349 Stafford (Middle School) $86,891; USD 352 Goodland $74,945; USD 374 Sublette $87,590; USD 379 Clay County (Lincoln/Garfield) $75,000; USD 383 Manhattan-Ogden (Bergman) $75,000; USD 383 Manhattan-Ogden (Ogden) $75,000; USD 386 Madison-Virgil $87,971; USD 387 Altoona-Midway $124,998; USD 435 Abilene $75,000; USD 443 Dodge City $99,980; USD 445 Coffeyville $75,000; USD 445 Coffeyville (Preschool) $89,627; USD 446 Independence $78,000; USD 461 Neodesha $93,234; USD 466 Scott City $74,977; USD 475 Geary County (Ware) $75,000; USD 475 Geary County (Washington/Grandview) $100,000; USD 498 Valley Heights $80,382; USD 499 Galena $75,000; USD 500 Kansas City (New Stanley) $75,000; USD 500 Kansas City (Silver City) $75,000; USD 500 Kansas City (Whittier) $75,000; USD 501

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- approved recommendations for funding new Kansas 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grants for 2018-19 as follows: USD 235 Uniontown $109,807; USD 250 Pittsburg $74,562; USD 259 Wichita (Linwood) $69,541; USD 315 Colby $75,000; USD 475 Geary County (Seitz) $99,750; USD 475 Geary County (Westwood) $99,750; USD 506 Labette County $100,984; Boys & Girls Club of Hutchinson (AAA) $100,000; Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence (Prairie Park) $100,000; Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence (Schwegler) $75,000; Boys & Girls Club of Manhattan (Bluemont) $75,000; Boys & Girls Club of Manhattan (Northview) $75,000; Boys & Girls Club of Topeka (Montara) $75,000; YMCA of SW KS (DCASA) $75,000; YMCA of SW KS (Y LRNS) $75,000; YWCA of NE KS (Ross) $75,000. Total funding: $1,244,587.

- approved recommendations for funding Kansas After School Enhancement Continuation Grants for 2018-19 as follows: USD 204 Bonner Springs $14,336; USD 310 Fairfield $11,156; USD 373 Newton $13,223; USD 383 Manhattan-Ogden $14,222; USD 445 Coffeyville $18,223, USD 446 Independence $11,627, USD 498 Valley Heights $18,223, USD 500 Kansas City $18,223, Boys & Girls Club of Hutchinson $18,223, Boys & Girls Club of Manhattan $14,097, Cherry Street Youth Center (Chanute) $17,724, Wichita YMCA $18,223. Total funding: $187,500.

- approved recommendations for funding Kansas Middle School After School Advancement Continuation Grants for 2018-19 as follows: USD 491 Eudora $21,801, USD 497 Lawrence $21,800, USD 500 Kansas City $21,800, Boys & Girls Club of Hutchinson $18,371, Boys & Girls Club of Manhattan $19,427, Boys & Girls Club of Topeka $21,801. Total funding: $125,000.

- authorized USD 477 Ingalls to receive capital improvement (bond and interest) state aid as authorized by law.

- authorized continuing the current accreditation status of all public and private schools until such time as the accreditation rating is changed by the State Board through the Kansas Education Systems Accreditation (KESA) process.

authorized the Commissioner of Education to negotiate and enter into a contract with the Kansas Association of Broadcasters in an amount not to exceed $50,000 for the purpose of disseminating public service announcements to inform the public about Child Nutrition Programs and encourage healthy eating and physical activity;

- enter into a contract with ACT for the purpose of providing one ACT assessment and one WorkKeys assessment to all students enrolled in grade 11, with a contract amount not to exceed $2,800,000 per year through June 30, 2021.

- enter into a contract with Education Elements in an amount not to exceed $160,000.

BOARD REPORTS AND FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS

Task Force Appointment — During the Chairman’s Report, Mr. Porter provided an update on membership of the new legislative Task Force on Dyslexia, which he chairs. Mrs. Busch moved to approve the State Board appointment of Sarah Brinkley to the Task Force upon Mr. Porter’s recommendation. Mrs. Mah seconded. Motion carried 10-0. Ms. Brinkley is a low incidence special education teacher in Seaman USD 345.
Mr. Porter announced that Jim McNiece has been selected to receive a Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of State Boards of Education this fall. He also reported on a subcommittee meeting of the Governor’s Education Council, attendance at a Data Quality Conference, and that he will accept recommendations for State Board representation on the Kansas Volunteer Commission and the C3 Council (Central Comprehensive Center in Oklahoma).

Individual members reported on Board-related activities within the past month. More in-depth accounts of these events are available in the archived recordings posted on the Board’s webpage at www.ksde.org. Concerns were mentioned at this time about the process for licensing participants in the Teach for America program and STEM licensing.

**Requests for Future Agenda Items:**
- Juvenile Transitional Crisis Pilot in Beloit and the USD 273 program (Mrs. Horst and Mrs. Cauble)
- Personal reports from attending Interstate Migrant Education Council and Education Commission of the States (Mrs. Cauble)
- Gemini redesign schools that will launch in the fall

**BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL**
Additions to the travel requests were: Mr. Porter — June 22 National Teacher Hall of Fame. Mrs. Waugh moved to approve the travel requests and addition. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

Chairman Porter recessed the meeting at 7:18 p.m. The meeting would resume at 9 a.m. on Wednesday in the Board Room.

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Jim Porter, Chairman

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Peggy Hill, Secretary
CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Jim Porter called the Wednesday meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 9 a.m. on June 13, 2018, in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas.

ROLL CALL
All Board members were present:
John Bacon               Jim McNiece
Kathy Busch              Jim Porter
Sally Cauble             Steve Roberts
Deena Horst              Janet Waugh
Ann Mah                  Ken Willard

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Mr. Willard moved to approve the day’s agenda. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

CONTINUATION OF MERCURY 7 PRESENTATIONS AND ACTION ON SCHOOL REDESIGN PLANS: LIBERAL, STOCKTON, MCPHERSON, TWIN VALLEY AND OLATHE
The seven school districts participating in the Kansans Can School Redesign Project each presented their redesign plans to the State Board of Education for acceptance as they prepare to launch their programs in August. At Tuesday’s Board meeting, schools in Wellington USD 353 and Coffeyville USD 445 presented their plans. Wednesday’s schedule was reserved for the remaining schools.

Criteria that the selected elementary and secondary schools focus on are: the five outcomes established by the Kansas State Board of Education, the five elements identified as defining a successful Kansas high school graduate, and what Kansans said they want their schools to provide and look like in the future. The redesign plans were to be accomplished using existing resources.

Each school highlighted areas of focus, many of which have been piloted during the past year. Some common themes were: project-based learning, self-paced learning, more student choice, student-led conferences, increased service opportunities, focus on social-emotional growth, flexible school-day schedules and establishment of multi-grade school families or communities.

Liberal USD 480 (Astronaut Alan Shepard Project) — Specific elements were addition of a student engagement coordinator, vision walks for the community, offering firefighter courses in H.S., improving behavior management. Mrs. Cauble moved to accept the redesign plans of Liberal USD 480 for Meadowlark Elementary and Liberal High School as presented for the Mercury 7 Project and to be implemented by the 2018-19 school year. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

Stockton USD 271 (Astronaut Deke Slayton Project) — Specific elements were redesign districtwide, sharing time each morning for students, digital portfolios, focus on entrepreneurship, genius hour, kindergarten story garden. Mrs. Horst moved to accept the redesign plans of Stockton USD 271 for Stockton Grade School and Stockton High School as presented for the Mercury 7 Project and to be implemented by the 2018-19 school year. Mrs. Cauble seconded. Motion carried 10-0.
McPherson USD 418 (Astronaut Walt “Wally” Schirra Project) — Specific elements were increased minutes for music, art and physical education, addition of more preschool classrooms, community service hours in middle school, mentoring program, long-term projects, innovation coaches. Mr. Willard moved to accept the redesign plans of McPherson USD 418 for Eisenhower Elementary and McPherson Middle School as presented for the Mercury 7 Project and to be implemented by the 2018-19 school year and beyond. Mr. Bacon seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

Chairman Porter recessed the meeting for lunch. Mercury 7 presentations continued when the meeting resumed at 12:30 p.m. Mrs. Waugh and Mrs. Cauble were dismissed and did not return for the afternoon session.

Twin Valley USD 240 (Astronaut Virgil “Gus” Grissom Project) — Specific elements were parent camps, power hour, ag partnerships, flexible seating, co-teaching, self-management skills. Mrs. Horst moved to accept the redesign plans of Twin Valley USD 240 for Tescott Grade School and Bennington Junior-Senior High as presented for the Mercury 7 Project and to be implemented by the 2018-19 school year. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 8-0, with Mrs. Waugh and Mrs. Cauble absent.

Mr. Porter was dismissed and left at 1:25 p.m. Mrs. Busch assumed leadership of the meeting.

Olathe USD 233 (Astronaut Gordon Cooper Project) — Specific elements were time for student goal setting, exploration days, three-year-old preschool, collaboration time for teachers. Mr. Bacon moved to accept the redesign plans of Olathe USD 233 for Westview Elementary and Santa Fe Trail Middle School as presented for the Mercury 7 Project and to be implemented by the 2018-19 school year. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 7-0, with Mrs. Waugh, Mrs. Cauble and Mr. Porter absent.

Following each presentation, time was allowed for questions, comments, acknowledgement of any challenges, awarding of banners and photo opportunities.

Vice Chair Kathy Busch led a brief discussion allowing Board members to reflect on the Mercury 7 plans. Comments included:

- an emphasis on teacher-driven outcomes with a student focus
- ways in which schools will show progress and measure results
- positive inclusion of community, parents and family
- positive attitude changes
- need to locate roadblocks
- continuum of plans within multiple buildings, not skip middle school
- buy-in of local boards of education
- opportunity to tour Mercury 7 buildings starting in the fall.

Mrs. Busch adjourned the meeting at 2:18 p.m.

The next State Board meeting is July 10 and 11, 2018 in Topeka.

Jim Porter, Chairman

Peggy Hill, Secretary