CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Jim Porter called the monthly meeting of the Kansas State Board of Education to order at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2018, in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas. He acknowledged guests from educational leadership academies in Geary and Riley counties, as well as superintendents and their mentor from the KELI program. Mr. Porter thanked retiring Board members John Bacon, Sally Cauble and Ken Willard for their service, which accounts for a combined 48 years of experience on the State Board of Education.

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 AGENDA
Mrs. Busch moved to approve the Tuesday agenda. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES
Mrs. Horst moved to approve the minutes of the November Board meeting. Mrs. Waugh seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT
In his monthly report to the Board, Commissioner Randy Watson focused on three topics. He first presented information on high school graduation rates from 2015 through 2018, looking at overall growth as well as forward movement within subgroups of the most vulnerable student populations. Dr. Watson also commented on postsecondary progress as it relates to graduation rates. He next summarized findings in the released audit report from Berberich Trahan and Company P.A. The audit was authorized by the State Board to determine whether distribution of state aid complied with state law and whether measures were in place to ensure quality control. The findings affirmed the answer was yes for both objectives. Lastly, the Commissioner shared the timeline for the Apollo phase of the Kansans Can School Redesign project. Applications will be accepted beginning Feb. 4, 2019.

CITIZENS’ OPEN FORUM
Chairman Porter declared the Citizens’ Forum open at 10:33 a.m. There were no speakers for public comment this month.

ACTION ON GEMINI I REDESIGN PLANS FOR FOWLER USD 225
Fowler USD 225 is participating in the Gemini I phase of the Kansans Can School Redesign project through Fowler Elementary and Fowler Junior-Senior High. Representatives from each building
shared how they are focusing on specific pillars of redesign within the broader outcomes established by the Kansas State Board of Education. Examples of initiatives were creating more real-world experiences for students, foundational leadership programs to enhance social emotional character development and Project Week. Mrs. Cauble moved to accept the redesign plans of Fowler USD 225 for the Gemini I project. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**BREAK**

Board members took a break until 11:50 a.m. for photos and banner presentation.

**ACTION ON AMENDMENTS TO LICENSURE REGULATIONS**

Last month, KSDE staff proposed additional amendments to specific licensure regulations already going through the formal adoption process. Mischel Miller and Susan Helbert from Teacher Licensure and Accreditation explained that the additional amendments would reinstate driver education as a teaching endorsement and create a limited use teaching license based on the Coalition of Innovative School Districts’ specialized certificate. Mrs. Helbert reviewed criteria of the limited use license. There were questions about the notification process, current pilot programs and license renewal. Mrs. Cauble moved to approve the submission of additional proposed amendments to licensure regulations 91-1-200, 91-1-201, 91-1-202, 91-1-203, 91-1-204 and 91-1-209 through the formal regulation adoption process. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 7-3, with Mrs. Mah, Mr. Roberts and Mr. Bacon in opposition.

**ACTION ON PROPOSAL FROM COALITION OF INNOVATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

Commissioner Watson reviewed a request from current members of the Coalition of Innovative School Districts (CISD) seeking State Board consideration to release each individual district from participation in the Coalition. USD 364 Superintendent Bill Mullins, past chair of the CISD, was available by phone to answer questions. The Coalition was created by the legislature in 2013, and consists of the following school districts: USD 364 Marysville, USD 333 Concordia, USD 418 McPherson, USD 210 Hugoton, USD 484 Fredonia, USD 500 Kansas City Kansas and USD 229 Blue Valley. The Coalition, it was noted, is separate from the Mercury 7 school redesign project. Mr. McNiece moved to recognize and endorse the desire of all current members of the Coalition of Innovative School Districts to cease participation in the Coalition effective immediately. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 8-2, with Mr. Bacon and Mr. Roberts in opposition.

**LUNCH**

Chairman Porter recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:33 p.m.

**RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL FINALISTS FROM KANSAS FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE TEACHING**

The meeting resumed at 1:30 p.m. at which time Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis introduced the 2016 National Finalists from Kansas for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. The Board recognized Heidi Harris, mathematics teacher at Union Valley Elementary School in Buhler USD 313, and Nancy Smith, science teacher at Bentwood Elementary School in Olathe USD 233. Each honoree shared remarks about ways she fosters student learning in her classroom. Examples included use of hands-on manipulatives for math and an “I wonder” curiosity board for science. (Finalists for this specific award are announced by the White House. The process is currently two years behind schedule.)

**ACTION ON SAFE AND SECURE SCHOOLS STANDARDS**

Safe and Secure Schools Standards have been developed in response to legislation passed in 2018. KSDE School Safety Specialists John Calvert and Susan McMahan, along with staff from multiple agencies, were involved in the development of the standards. State Board members learned that the standards address these main areas: critical infrastructure, communications, crisis plans, training, drills and collaboration within the community. There was discussion about Standard Nine which
referenced a specific curriculum stated in the law, and whether or not to omit the reference since the State Board does not choose school curriculum. Because of the deadline for approving the standards, Mr. Willard moved to suspend Board practice and allow for a vote this month on the standards following a first read. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0. Mrs. Cauble then moved to approve the Safe and Secure Schools Standards as required in 2018 House Substitute for Senate Bill 109, Section 76. Mr. Willard seconded. Mrs. Waugh offered an amendment to the motion that would specify the curriculum was “per Kansas state law.” Mrs. Horst seconded the proposed amendment. Additional discussion followed. A vote on the motion to amend the original motion failed to receive six votes required for passage. A vote on the original motion (Mrs. Cauble, Mr. Willard) carried 10-0.

UPDATE ON KANSAS BUILDING REPORT CARD AND INFORMATION ON SCHOOLS RECEIVING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE UNDER ESSA
Director Scott Smith referenced changes to the Kansas Building Report Card, which reflect requirements of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). He described the indicators used to determine where to direct resources for improving academic achievement of disadvantaged students. The categories of assistance are Comprehensive Support and Improvement, Targeted Support for Improvement and Additional Targeted Support. Criteria for each category was described. KSDE staff addressed the purpose of support identification at the building level, consideration of risk factors and data collection.

Board members took a 10-minute break at 3:15 p.m.

ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
Linda Sieck, Chair of the Professional Practices Commission, participated remotely to present recent recommendations of the PPC. Mr. McNiece moved to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law as stated in the initial orders, accept each voluntary surrender, and revoke the licenses of Justin Adrian and Marian Antoinette “Toni” Reynolds. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

RECEIVE PROPOSED CHANGE IN OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
General Counsel Scott Gordon presented information on behalf of the Professional Practices Commission (PPC) regarding a proposed procedural change for breach of contract cases that come before the PPC. Breach of contract is covered in K.A.R. 91-22-7. The current operating process could be expedited by authorizing the Hearing Officer to determine whether a settlement provision or liquidated damages clause exists in local policy or in the contract of the employee. The Hearing Officer will make that determination on behalf of the PPC. The State Board is expected to act on this proposal in January.

RECOGNITION OF KANSAS SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR
The Kansas School Superintendents’ Association selected Glen Suppes, Smoky Valley USD 400, as the 2019 Kansas Superintendent of the Year. State Board members recognized Mr. Suppes for this honor during Tuesday’s meeting. He has been superintendent of the Smoky Valley district since 2000. Mr. Suppes offered remarks, commending the State Board and Commissioner for their leadership with the Kansans Can vision.

UPDATE ON FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE INTEGRATION WITH SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING
Social/emotional growth measured locally is one of the five statewide outcomes for measuring progress of the Kansans Can vision to lead the world in the success of each student. During this update, KSDE staff members Gayla Randel and Pam Lamb explained how Family and Consumer Science
Education in the schools is integrated with social emotional learning and growth. Co-presenters Stella Tharp from Ottawa USD 290 and Juanelle Garretson from Southeast of Saline USD 306 described ways in which FCS foundational elements align to social emotional learning for adolescents and provide real world contexts. They also commented on career exploration, civic engagement opportunities and the connection between FCCLA and the definition of a successful high school student.

**ACTION ON NEW APPOINTMENT TO THE LICENSURE REVIEW COMMITTEE**

There were four nominees for an opening on the Licensure Review Committee to represent higher education. Mrs. Busch moved to appoint Ashlie Jack, Assistant Dean at Wichita State University, to complete a partial term on the Licensure Review Committee representing Chairperson of a Department of Education of a Teacher Education Institution, effective Dec. 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis provided official election results to Board members and an updated list of House and Senate leadership. He also shared information on State General Fund revenue estimates for fiscal year 2019, and initial estimates for FY 2020 and FY 2021. School Finance Director Craig Neuenswander assisted in recapping the Kansas Supreme Court Decision Gannon VI opinion, discussing inflation adjustments and estimated state aid increases.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mrs. Cauble moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0. In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

- received the monthly Personnel Report for November.
- confirmed the unclassified personnel appointments of Denise Dallman as Accountant II on the Fiscal Services and Operations team, effective Nov. 4, 2018, at an annual salary of $40,913.60; Daniel Martin as a Legal Intern on the General Counsel team, effective Nov. 15, 2018, at an annual salary of $15,600.
- approved issuance of a Visiting Scholar license for the 2018-19 school year for Eric Kolkmeier and USD 500 Kansas City Kansas Public Schools.
- accepted the following recommendations for licensure waivers valid for one school year:
  - **Art - extension on the number of days under an emergency substitute license** — Nancy Dvorak, USD 415. Deaf or Hard of Hearing — Kelsey Bonnel, D0608; Gina Westerman, D0725. Early Childhood Special Education — Deborah Cavener, USD 204; Jamie Graham, USD 259; Angela Voth, USD 418; Jane Jackson, USD 500; Bobbi Riggs, D0603; Heather Albers, D0605; Andrea Prochnow, D0613; Nicole Veatch, D0725. Early Childhood/Preschool — Beverly Furlong, USD 231; Danielle Torres, D0608. Elementary - extension on the number of days under an emergency substitute license — Audra Bush, USD 500. English Language Arts - extension on the number of days under an emergency substitute license — Jacquelyn Larue, USD 500; Megan Garren, USD 233. French - extension on the number of days under an emergency substitute license — Donald Miller, USD 233. Gifted — Jennifer Buie, USD 263; Anita Hinkle, Katie Rhodes, Kimberly Belanger, Lisa Julian, USD 383; Jill Hultberg, USD 418; Catherine McGowan, USD 497; Sean Wyatt, USD 500; Traci Jennings, D0602; Kylie Rush, Estrella Medina, D0618; Jason Puckett, D0638. High Incidence Special Education — Ashley Pieper, Bridget Frayer, Noah Fugate, Heather Roberts, Erica Etzel, USD 202; Kimberly Green, Kacie Geiman, USD 229; Lisa Lucas, USD 230; Jessica Malter, Mary Culross, Stacy Fitzpatrick, USD 231; Desiree Campbell, Jessica Knuth, Tracy Ensminger, Alex Lundry, USD 253; Katharina Shepherd, Nicole McKinnon, Heloisa Haist, Kristen Johnson, Audra Turner, USD 259; Kristine Kirk, Stephanie Dunback, Juan Yanez, Rebecca Casey, USD 260; Carolyn Day, USD 263; Jocelyn Adams, Kristi Mason, Sally Priebe, Tanya Hite, Allyson Henry, Kaisha Edgerle, Stacy...
Lambert, Steven Taylor, Amanda Ediger, Amy Trostle, Anthony Chesney, Carlene Jackson, Sydney Johnson, USD 305; Angela Gabel-McConkey, Sharon Huband, Traci Ball, Arlene Ediger, USD 333; Kenton Noonan, Sarah Brinkley, Tiffany Benedick, Jacob Kirmer, USD 345; Erin Shore, Traci Smith, USD 353; Crystal Pralle, Nicole Meritt, Jamie Stewart, Seth Dills, Shanda Montgomery, USD 383; Stacie Adams, USD 407; Carly Stuck, Christina Esau-Whitmer, Tiffany Pacey, Adam Long, Jeanie Fulmer, Meghan Mai, Matthew McCasland, USD 418; Bethany Dunham, Keri Berta, Suzanne Martell, USD 437; John Zeller, USD 450; Erin Swallow, USD 458; Evan Goehl, Nichole Monroe, Christina Rankin, Aubree Rariden, USD 475; Jennifer Allen, USD 497; Christopher Funk, Colin McCarty, Kirk Duckers, Marion Schmekel, Matthew Fearing, Tayne Preno, Angela Lawless, Catherine Keithly, Corie Griffin, Hayley Christensen, Jennifer LaBarr, Leesa White, Leslie Lucas, Micah Saxby, Pamela Owens, Sabrina Bell, Shea Wright, Tanya Craig, Ashley Dobbie, Jessica Hill, Theresa Barry, USD 500; Alicia Cattrell, Brandon Wittman, Daniel English, Garrett Royston, Grace Krohn, Jason White, Kandice Granado, Michael Uphoff, Alexis Hanson, Paige Hetrick, Tiffany McCain, Bryan Unruh, Nicholas Sloan, Bethel Goodenow, Bradley Johnston, Joseph Paz, Rebecca Linquist, USD 501; Aaron Byarlay, Patricia Hendrickson, Margaret Porter, Angela Brumbaugh, Lori Unruh, Rae Ann Mattke, D0602; Amanda Wolfe, D0603; Amber Zwierzynkowski, Amy Oliver, Janelle Frank, Margo Morton, Marla Stark, Andrew Gwennap, Dana Denton, Kyle Kriegh, Lucas Bauman, Ryan Ford, Tonya Younie, Trisha Barnard, D0605; Roger Brown, John Zeltwanger, Melanie McKay, Amanda Verynck, Deena Simmons, Rick Weber, Mary St. John, Amanda Pfeifer, Caleb Pokorny, Jerritt Curtis, Laura Snyder, D0608; Alicia Birney, Jason Millemom, Jeremy Davis, Karin Good, Tamara Mink, D0613; Stephanie Brand, D0616; Carol Mock, Dawn Kimber, Lorane May, Sabrina Madison, Shane Buckner, Sandra Birzer, Angela Griffin, Kenneth Talley, Lori Fisher, Sarah Feather, Elizabeth Hill, Alexis Schirmer, Amie Archer, Angela Mans, Deborah Montgomery, Marianne Cruz, Megan Davis, Randall VandenHoeek, Tiffany Steinbacher, Tyler Botts, Karen Bergkamp, Michelle Lewis, Patricia Konda, D0618; Amy Crawford, Paula Kraft-Cooer, Ryan Vobach, Amber Booton, Traci Middleton, D0620; Samantha Hestand, D0637; Claire Mossman, Alisha Chavana, Megan Sarkett, Alyssa Riffel, Jera Kressly, Sara Srock, Carmen Carson, Cassie Hall, Fred Sims III, Karli Winter, Michele White, Neal Krajicek, Sheryl Wiele, Tony Glidewell, D0638; Amanda Hively, D0701; Dana Madrigal, Sarah Leeper, Kylee Brenn, Lisa Phillips, Tayvia Kemp, D0725. High Incidence Special Education - extension on the number of days under an emergency substitute license — Chayla Cheadle, USD 233; Monte Owens, Rebekah Thompson, USD 500; Whitney Edie, D0616. Library Media Specialist — Krista May-Shackelford, Kristi Grant, Renee Franklin, USD 259; Erin Turner, Jennifer Kane, Kari Duntz, Terry Morris, Becky Hinck, USD 475. Low Incidence Special Education — Daniel Ruegsegger, Tara Cassidy, D0231; Sherri Dorsey, Whitney Long, Brenda Asher, Samantha Teed, Emma Daley, Teresa Martinez, USD 259; Ali Sontag, USD 260; Heidi Gillespie, USD 305; Anna Berger, USD 364; Sarah Rhodes, USD 383; Heath Pfeiffer, USD 418; Malia Pierre, USD 475; Whitney Austin, USD 500; Aaron Colliatie, D0605; Makayla Epp, D0614; Amy Phelps, Leah Kelley, Sarah Heath, Rebecca Tschetter, D0618. Low Incidence Special Education - extension on the number of days under an emergency substitute license — Shirley Rasmussen, D0607; Crista Bishop, Laura Gonsalves, D0618. Physical Education — extension on the number of days under an emergency substitute license — Brett Becker, USD 469. Reading — extension on the number of days under an emergency substitute license — Thelma Jimmerson, USD 500. Spanish — Catherine Strukel, USD 247. Spanish — extension on the number of days under an emergency substitute license — Joshua Smith, USD 385. Technology Education — extension on the number of days under an emergency substitute license — Douglas Byerley, USD 233. Visual Impaired — Bailee Jablonowski, USD 260; Kerry Ingram, USD 305; Vanessa Rosalan, USD 501.

- authorized the following districts to hold elections on the question of issuing bonds in excess of the district's general bond debt limitation: USD 102 Cimarron, USD 267 Renwick.
• authorized the following districts to receive capital improvement (bond and interest) state aid as authorized by law: USD 102 Cimarron, USD 267 Renwick.

• issued Calendar Year 2019 licenses to the following commercial Kansas driver training schools: McPherson Driving School LLC, McPherson; Double Team Driving School, Overland Park; Var-solona Driving School, Frontenac; Royal Driving School, Salina; Rawhide Harley Davidson, Olathe; Safety First Driving, Olathe; BuckleUp School LLC, Lawrence; Legacy Driving School of Andover, Andover; Schuetz Driving School, Olathe; Motorcycle Rider Education, Wichita; Behind The Wheel Inc., Overland Park; EcoDriver School, Lenexa; Freedom Driving School, Lenexa; Go Driving School Manhattan, Manhattan; Go Driving School LLC, Lawrence; Premier Driving School LLC, Newton; Premier Driving School of Derby, Derby; Premier Driving School of Hutchinson, Hutchinson; Premier Driving School of Wichita, Wichita; Wichita Driving School East LLC; Wichita; Wichita Driving School Inc., Wichita; Twister City Motorcycles, Park City; Drive Right School of Johnson County, Overland Park; Drive Right School of Wichita, Wichita; Little Apple Driving School, Manhattan; Topeka Driving School Inc., Topeka; Twin City Driver Education, Overland Park; Wichita Collegiate Commercial Driving School, Wichita; Midwest Driving School, Lawrence; HyPlains Driving School, Dodge City; HyPlains Driving School, Garden City; Bi-State Driving School Inc., Overland Park.

• accepted recommendation of Commissioner Randy Watson to withdraw Kansas’ Intent to Apply for Innovative Assessment Demonstration Authority.

authorized the Commissioner of Education to negotiate and
• enter into a contract with Smoky Hill Education Service Center for building district capacity to evaluate/measure school redesign in an amount not to exceed $13,500 from Dec. 17, 2018 to Jan. 31, 2019;

• enter into a contract with Jones Huyett Partners for the purpose of creating market brand identity for the Kansas Volunteer Commission in an amount not to exceed $20,000 from Jan. 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019;

• enter into a contract with On3Learn for evaluation training and technical assistance to the Kansas Volunteer Commission in an amount not to exceed $27,528 from Jan. 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019;

• enter into a contract with WordCraft LLC for evaluation training and technical assistance to the Kansas Volunteer Commission in an amount not to exceed $14,900 from Jan. 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019;

• enter into a contract with Healthsource Integrated Solutions through June 30, 2019, to administer the Mental Health Intervention Pilot Program online data system with the contract amount not to exceed $165,000.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
Committee Reports — Mr. Porter talked about continued work with the Dyslexia Task Force, which expects to provide recommendations early in 2019 to the State Board and a report to the Legislature. Mrs. Cauble commented on Kansas’ limited participation with Education Commission of the States. Commissioner Watson provided an update on the Youth Suicide Task Force which concluded its series of meetings in December.

During the Chairman’s Report, Mr. Porter gave a brief account of recent events including the Kansas Teacher of the Year State Banquet, Dialogue Summit on Retention, and participation in a panel discussion at the Kansas Association of School Boards’ annual convention. He then previewed agenda items anticipated in January.
Those wishing to provide individual Board reports did so in writing.

**Board Attorney Report** — There was no attorney report this month.

**Requests for Future Agenda Items** —
- Feedback on licensure pilot programs for High Incidence Special Education and Elementary Apprentice (Mrs. Busch)

**BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL**
There was one addition to the travel requests: Mrs. Busch — Jan. 4 School Mental Health Advisory Council. Mrs. Horst moved to approve the travel requests. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL**
Mrs. Busch moved to recess into Executive Session to discuss the subject of an individual employee’s performance, which is justified pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, in order to protect the privacy interest of the individual(s) to be discussed. The session would begin at 5:10 p.m. for 20 minutes and the open meeting would resume in the Board Room. Board Attorney Mark Ferguson was invited to join. Mr. Roberts seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

Members returned to open session at 5:30 p.m.

**ACTION ON SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR COMMISSIONER**
Mr. McNiece moved to approve a base salary adjustment for Commissioner Watson to $215,000 for Fiscal Year 2019, with an additional adjustment to $230,000 for Fiscal Year 2020. Mr. Bacon seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**RECESS**
Chairman Porter recessed the meeting until 9 a.m. Wednesday.
CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Jim Porter called the Wednesday meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 9 a.m. on Dec. 12, 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. McNiece moved to approve the day’s agenda. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

INFORMATION REGARDING SEAC’S PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS ON EMERGENCY SAFETY INTERVENTION REGULATIONS, INCLUDING CLARIFICATION OF SECLUSION DEFINITION
Director of Special Education and Title Services Colleen Riley summarized discussions that occurred at the September and November meetings of the Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) related to the regulatory definition of seclusion as well as concerns about how the definition was being interpreted. The definition is included in the Emergency Safety Intervention (ESI) regulations. She presented the current definition, relayed public comment received and reported on SEAC’s continued discussions and the Council’s recommendation. Remarks were shared by Mr. Porter, who chaired the ESI Task Force created in 2015, and Mr. McNiece, State Board liaison to SEAC. A work group will be convened to look at the seclusion definition in the ESI regulation and provide guidance and/or clarification. Mr. Porter and Mr. McNiece were excused to discuss scheduling the stakeholders’ first meeting. Vice Chair Busch assumed leadership of the State Board meeting in Chairman Porter’s brief absence.

UPDATES FROM KANSAS STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND, KANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
Superintendent Luanne Barron, Kansas School for the Deaf, included information on these areas in her regular update to the State Board: accreditation self study, outreach services for the language assessment program, online American Sign Language classes, and a number of growing partnerships.

Mr. Porter and Mr. McNiece returned to the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

Next, Superintendent Jon Harding addressed several growth areas since the establishment of specific goals for KSSB. He mentioned increased STEM activities for students, identification of the Outside Visitation Team for accreditation, more field trip experiences, and collaboration between teachers in different locales. Both Mrs. Barron and Mr. Harding answered questions about their reports.

ADJOURNMENT
Chairman Porter adjourned the meeting at 10:26 a.m. The next State Board meeting is Jan. 15 and 16, 2019 in Topeka.
Following the meeting, members and guests attended a reception for outgoing State Board members who did not seek re-election for another term: John Bacon, District 3; Sally Cauble, District 5; Ken Willard, District 7.