

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Minutes November 9, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jim McNiece called the monthly meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2016, in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas. He welcomed those in attendance, including students and faculty from Baker University and participants in the Kansas Educational Leadership Institute mentor-mentee program. Board members met Wednesday-Thursday this month to not conflict with election day. Chairman McNiece congratulated re-elected State Board members following the previous day's election.

11/9/2016
A.M. Session
(00:00:29)

ROLL CALL

All Board members were present:

John Bacon	Jim McNiece
Kathy Busch	Steve Roberts
Carolyn Wims-Campbell	Jim Porter
Sally Cauble	Janet Waugh
Deena Horst	Ken Willard

STATE BOARD MISSION STATEMENT, MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman McNiece 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 McNiece announced two changes within the consent agenda — a revised 16 f. because of a contract amount increase for National Student Clearinghouse, and the addition of 16 i. for a contract with the Kansas Association of Broadcasters to air public service announcements promoting career and technical education. Mrs. Busch moved to approve the day's agenda as amended. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0-1 with Mr. Roberts abstaining.

MOTION
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APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES

Mrs. Horst moved to approve the minutes of the October Board of Education meeting. Ms. Wims-Campbell seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Watson announced that two Kansas schools are being recognized as National Title I Distinguished Schools for their work to close the achievement gap and for continuous high achievement. Honorees are Sterling Grade School, USD 376, and West Elk School, USD 282. He presented the draft 2015-16 Kansas State Department of Education Annual Report. The publication highlights milestones from the past year's work on the *Kansans CAN* vision and each of the vision outcomes. It also contains state assessment results, as one part of students' academic and cognitive preparation. These are based on the new higher performance levels. The Commissioner asked assistant director Tammy Mitchell to report on the Kansas Learning Network's exploration of criteria to identify schools for comprehensive support and improvement under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. This includes a look at the multiple risk factors impacting student achievement.

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CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM

Chairman McNiece declared the Citizens' Forum open at 10:37 a.m. Speakers and their topics were: Leah Fliter, Kansas Association of School Boards — presentation of KASB's legislative committee

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report and recommended legislative positions for 2017; Katherine Kersenbrock-Ostmeyer, Kansas Interagency Coordinating Council — concerns with PreK-K assignment policy for teachers. Chairman McNiece declared the Citizens' Forum closed at 10:44 a.m.

ACT ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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The Professional Practices Commission was represented by PPC Chair Linda Sieck, who brought forth summaries and recommendations on four licensure cases. She also answered questions about self-suspension. Mr. Porter moved to adopt the findings of the PPC and its recommendations that Dustin Wiley receive no formal discipline as a result of his conduct and Joseph Banning, Angel Bolen and Juley Kolterman's applications for licensure be approved. Mrs. Waugh seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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In a separate vote, Mr. Willard moved to adopt the findings of the PPC and its recommendations that Louis Emanuel's application for an emergency substitute license be denied. Mrs. Cauble seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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RECEIVE KANSAS STATE HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT

Gary Musselman, Executive Director of the Kansas State High School Activities Association, presented the organization's annual report to the State Board. He reported on numbers of member schools, student activity participation levels, and projects of the KSHSAA Student Advisory Team. Updates were given on the high school pitch count rule for baseball and committee recommendations on classification of schools. He answered questions about the impact of population shifts on re-classification and the "pay to play" concept.

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STUDENT ARTWORK PRESENTATION AND DEDICATION

During a special presentation, students from Caldwell Elementary, USD 259 Wichita Public Schools, helped unveil a custom-designed wall hanging for the Kansas State Board of Education meeting room. This was a project created as part of the Caldwell Elementary A.R.T.S. after-school program for at-risk students supported by a 21st Century Community Learning grant. Holly Wilson, grant program manager, explained how the art project incorporated the *Kansans CAN* theme and allowed students to express their views of individual success. Several of the students spoke about their contributions to the design. The artwork complements a similar mural presented to the State Board in November 2015. A time for photos and visiting with students followed.

LUNCH

The meeting was recessed at 12:10 p.m. Mr. Roberts did not return for the afternoon session.

P.M. SESSION
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PUBLIC HEARING ON REGULATION 91-31-32 (SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION)

At 1:30 p.m., Chairman McNiece resumed the meeting and opened the public hearing on K.A.R. 91-31-32 (suicide awareness and prevention). He read the public hearing protocol. There were no speakers to address the Board. Written public comments were submitted by the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations and Claude Quinton, a substitute teacher. The public hearing closed at 1:33 p.m.

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READING FOR SUCCESS REPORT FROM ISTATION AND FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY

The goal of the Kansas Reading for Success program is to help every child reach his or her full reading potential regardless of background and access to literacy. The Department of Administration's Procurement Negotiating Committee recommended Istation as the Kansas Reading for Success program vendor and the State Board approved its use in September 2015. Sandra Thomas, President and COO of Istation, provided an overview of the services offered elementary students (i.e. personalized learning paths, intervention lessons for struggling readers) as well as enrollment and usage statistics. Representatives from a Fort Hays State University research team were tasked with analyzing data and

tracking documented reading growth through use of Istation. They noted that restrictions in privacy laws limit what specific data could be obtained for evaluation purposes, therefore aggregate data was shared. Board members expressed concern about the limited information provided to help evaluate success of the program. Requests were made for a list of school district participants, expanded future analysis such as data on English language learners, and a written translation to accompany the statistical chart on growth scores by region. Inquiries were made about data restrictions within the Student Data Privacy Act, Istation customer satisfaction surveys, and what information teachers receive to monitor individualized student performance. Mr. Willard requested that reports on the Istation project be presented more than once a year.

ACTION ON HIGHER EDUCATION LICENSURE PROGRAM STANDARDS FOR BIOLOGY, EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE, AND SCIENCE

Dr. Scott Myers, Director of Teacher Licensure and Accreditation, presented the revised licensure program standards for Biology 6-12, Earth and Space Science 6-12, and Science 5-8 for adoption. These content standards help institutions of higher education develop their educator preparation programs and monitor or redesign programs as necessary. Revision committee members John Rhodes of Friends University, Wendy Elkins of Shawnee Heights High School and Teresa Woods of Fort Hays State University were present to field questions. Mrs. Cauble moved to approve the revised educator preparation program standards for Biology (6-12), Earth and Space Science (6-12) and Science (5-8). Mrs. Horst seconded. During discussion, there were questions about crosscutting concepts and communicating openness about interpretations of science instruction. Motion carried 7-2 with Mr. Bacon and Mr. Willard in opposition, and Mr. Roberts absent.

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RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL FINALISTS FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE TEACHING

State Board members recognized four Kansas educators for their classroom contributions in math and science. National Finalists for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching are: Michelle Kelly from Basehor Elementary in USD 458 Basehor-Linwood, Brandi Leggett from Rosehill Elementary in USD 512 Shawnee Mission (both 2014); Trissa McCabe from Reno Valley Middle School in USD 309 Nickerson, Denise Scribner from Eisenhower High School in USD 265 Goddard (both 2015). Each Kansas finalist received a \$10,000 unrestricted award from the National Science Foundation. The honorees talked about specific classroom programs and teaching strategies. Some of the examples were: projects allowing students to be citizen engineers helping their communities, connecting with nature through outdoor learning sites, contemplating “why” within the learning process.

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Board members took a break until 3:45 p.m.

BREAK

REPORT ON GIFTED SERVICES IN KANSAS

Education Program Consultant Dr. Diana Stanfill provided a timeline of changes in gifted services, then clarified elements of the definition for gifted as an exceptionality in special education. She talked about eligibility indicators, noting that the decision to implement an individual education plan (IEP) is determined at the local level. She also included figures for the number of students in Kansas who receive gifted services, outlined the educator requirements and shared a national perspective. Other presenters were: Kim Curtis with the Central Kansas Cooperative in Salina and Alice Bertels, a gifted facilitator with USD 437. They addressed teacher referrals, gifted identification, challenges of providing direct services, and examples of enrichment activities. Discussion included linking the *Kansans CAN* vision of meeting the needs of each student to the needs of gifted students. There were also comments about under identification of minority students and funding for gifted services.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Cauble moved to approve the Consent Agenda, which included an increase on the contract amount for the National Student Clearinghouse and the addition of a contract with the Kansas Association of Broadcasters to air public service announcements promoting career and technical education. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0. In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

- received the monthly Personnel Report for October.
- confirmed the unclassified special projects personnel appointment of Michelle Irvine as Senior Administrative Assistant on the Child Nutrition and Wellness team effective Oct. 24, 2016 at an annual salary of \$28,308.80.
- accepted the following recommendations for licensure waivers valid for one school year:
Adaptive Special Education -- Ashli LaGrand, USD 501; Amy Aldrich, D0613. *Adaptive Special Education – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Areatha Stevens, Jesse Hall, Justin Weir, Karen Johnson, Kelly Meyer, Rosa Williams, Toni Lockheart, USD 500. *Early Childhood Special Education* -- Joanne Lange, USD 259; Kristen De La Garza, USD 475; Kristie Butler, USD 501; Jessica Botkin, D0618; Michelle Gregory, D0637. *Early Childhood/Preschool* -- Jane Musgrove, USD 233; Amanda Erwin, USD 259. *Earth and Space Science* -- Michael Adams, USD 259. *English as a Second Language – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Andrea Tribitt, Mikhail Furnace, USD 500. *English Language Arts* -- Starla Fitten, USD 259. *English Language Arts – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Anita Messer, La Veda Tyler, USD 500. *Family and Consumer Science – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Karriem Sayles, USD 500. *General Business Topics – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Dana Farrar, James McCray, USD 500. *Gifted* -- Anna Calven, USD 261; Lisa Kill, USD 282; Madison Timmons, USD 383; Courtney Lee, USD 475; Matthew Campbell, Thomas Dobelbower, USD 501; Stuart Ross, D0720. *High Incidence Special Education* -- Emily Thayer, Jonathan Best, Sabrina Doty, USD 232; Andrew Pina, Heather Rothwell, Maggie Spratt, Aaron McDaniel, Amie Smith, Andra Herzog, Andrea Baker, Brittany Hauck, Christopher Gebhardt, Cole Cherryholmes, Earnest Roberson, Elizabeth Arnce, Eric Boutz, Jason Allen, Jennifer Primm, Jessica Cranmer, Keli Lewis-Barron, Lisa Dridi, Marian Kline, Michael Lear, Mitsy Docter, Shirley Farmer, Taylor Kelly, Teressa Hays, Thomas Manion, Tonya Nottingham, Tyson Scroggin, USD 259; Austin Glanville, Cassandra Coleman, Charmetra Walker, Curtis Dunning, Emily Chippeaux, USD 260; Jacob Ditton, Jennifer Morse, USD 261; Jenna Haver, USD 282; Amber Stroda, Joshua Anderson, USD 305; Kyle Unruh, Susan Ruiz, USD 308; Jillian Tinkel, USD 320; Richard Horton, USD 330; Shelby Reed, USD 368; Laura Lafnitzegger, Stephanie Cuddy, Rodney Robison, USD 383; Stacey Nyp, Andrew Weese, Courtney Thompson Kesselring, USD 437; Andrea Morris, USD 450; Harrison Taylor, USD 458; Jessica Taliaferro, Nicholas Perez, Sara Devine, Sarah Laffere, Sarah Slagle, Amy French, Brittany Ford, Amanda Morgan, USD 475; Sarah Rossillon, Curtis Field, Lori Wagner, USD 497; Brandon Wittman, Andrew Hartley, Anthony Wunder, Bethel Goodenow, Cesalee Brown, Elizabeth Stephens, Jamie Olliso, Jeffrey Schuh, Mariah Boos, Maxson Nehrbass, Randi Arensman, Allen Lake, Christine Baker, Jennifer Snyder, Jill Norton, John Swift, Kayleen Imparato, Matthew Lewis, Samantha Kraft, Chauncey Funk, Brenda Wilch, Dale Lesuer, Nathan Hanna, Shannon Kettler, William Wolff, Kalena Tannahill, Katherine Burton, USD 501; Annette Ostmeyer, Jeffery Kilgore, Audra Sundberg, Brandon Parker, Caleb Denton, Clarissa Cope, Jolie Van Petten, Matthew Moore, Rena Kilgore, Richard Menninger, Terra Bumgardner, D0608; Jose Martinez, Justin Stevens, Abraham Rosales, Cristabell Bernadac, Dillon Shouse, Dwight Green Jr., George Fowler, Jennifer Sowers, Matthew Legg, Oliver Schbley, Ruth Nolte, Scott Abel, D0613; Jessica Fischer, Tori Mace, D0615; Karen Gladhart, D0616; Jennifer Janzen, Heather Steiner, D0617; Jordan Tice, D0620; James Leonard, Kimberly Bartelli, Bridget Esaw, D0637; Jessica Fairbanks, D0720. *Library Media Specialist* -- Linda Bland, Lindsay Bucy, USD 259; Brent Corey, USD 409;

Meredith Holland, USD 497. *Life Science – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Lindsey Gates, USD 500. *Low Incidence Special Education* -- Sara Evans, USD 232; Georgette Morgan, Kortni McGlothlin, Stephanie Moore, USD 259; Ali Sontag, Molly Whitwell, Tamberlyn Hendrix, USD 260; Paige Meek, USD 330; Anne Burbank, USD 409; Hillary Stucky, USD 437; Teresa Turnbough, Cortney O'Brien, D0637. *Math – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Lee Elder, USD 385; Frederick Gilliland, George Roath III, Mark Richardson, Patrick Stinson, USD 500. *Physical Education – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Jason McWilliams, USD 327; Leanne Lindesay-Clark, USD 500. *Science – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Angela Knight, Ira Lockhart III, USD 500. *Social Studies – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Rosette Scover, USD 500. *Technology Education – Extension on the number of days on an Emergency Substitute License* -- Wendy Swartz, USD 348. *Visual Impaired* -- Krystal Karschimkus, USD 259; Heather Pedersen, D0608; Robert Mickelson, D0620.

- accepted recommendations of the Licensure Review Committee as follows: *Approved Cases* — 3087 Hye Jung Lee, 3102 Douglas Bliss, 3105 Edna Springer, 3107 Zachary Conrad, 3108 Melody Witt, 3109 Linda Bell, 3110 Wendelin Flesner, 3114 Mick Williams, 3115 Leah Wisdom, 3116 Wade Ahlvers, 3118 Alyssa Lada.

authorized the Commissioner of Education to negotiate and

- enter into an agreement with EducationSuperHighway, Department of Administration and the Governor's office to develop and implement a statewide plan to upgrade every school district to affordable high-speed broadband access.
- enter into a contract not to exceed a total of \$165,000 covering a five-year period with the National Student Clearinghouse for core postsecondary data.
- continue a contract with College Board to provide for Advanced Placement exam fees for qualified students in an amount not to exceed \$93,024.
- continue a contract with International Baccalaureate schools to provide for IB exam fees for qualified students in an amount not to exceed \$67,620.
- enter into a contract with the Kansas Association of Broadcasters in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for the purpose of disseminating public service announcements to inform the public, specifically parents, about the importance of career exploration in high school.

EXECUTIVE SESSION #1

Ms. Wims-Campbell moved to enter into Executive Session for 20 minutes for the purpose of consultation with an attorney which would be deemed privileged in the Attorney-Client relationship, in order to protect the privilege and the Board's communications with its attorney on legal matters. The session would begin at 5 p.m. Commissioner Randy Watson, Board Attorney Mark Ferguson and Assistant Attorney General Marty Snyder were invited to join the session. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

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At 5:20 p.m., Ms. Wims-Campbell moved to extend the same executive session for the purpose of consultation with an attorney for 10 minutes until 5:30 p.m. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

The Board returned to open session at 5:30.

ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Wims-Campbell moved that the licensure matter of Suzette Ramos (Case No. 15-PPC-32) be placed on the December Board Agenda for review and action by the Board and that formal Notice of Review be provided to the parties. Mr. Porter seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION #2

Ms. Wims-Campbell moved to enter into Executive Session for no longer than 27 minutes for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed. The session would begin at 5:33 p.m. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0.

Open session resumed at 5:49 p.m. and the meeting was recessed until 9 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 10.

Jim McNiece, Chairman

Peggy Hill, Secretary

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2016****CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Jim McNiece called the Thursday, Nov. 10, 2016 meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 9 a.m. in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas.

**11/10/2016
P.M. Session
(00:00:04)**

ROLL CALL

All Board 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 agenda. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 8-0, with Mr. Bacon and Mr. Willard absent for the vote.

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ACTION ON REGULATION 91-31-32 (SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION)

General Counsel Scott Gordon provided the agency response as a follow-up to the Nov. 9 public hearing conducted on K.A.R. 91-31-32. Proposed additions to the school accreditation regulation are for suicide awareness and prevention training. There were no speakers to provide public hearing testimony. Mr. Gordon reminded Board members that they were provided a copy of written comments submitted by the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations and by a substitute teacher. Discussion followed, centered on the definition of "all school staff" for whom the training would be required (i.e. contracted bus drivers). Mrs. Cauble moved that the Kansas State Board of Education adopt proposed Suicide Prevention regulation 91-31-32 as written. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0 on a roll call vote recorded as follows:

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John Bacon	"yes"	Jim McNiece	"yes"
Kathy Busch	"yes"	Jim Porter	"yes"
Carolyn Wims-Campbell	"yes"	Steve Roberts	"yes"
Sally Cauble	"yes"	Janet Waugh	"yes"
Deena Horst	"yes"	Ken Willard	"yes"

BOARD REPORTS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Legislative — It was noted that Mr. Dale Dennis had distributed a copy of election results.

Communications — Mrs. Cauble reported that ideas are being discussed for the 2017 informational postcards as well as arranging a time for new legislators and State Board members to meet.

Teacher Vacancy and Supply — Mrs. Busch commented on the October meeting of this group, noting that they identified five focus areas. The next meeting will be in December.

Juvenile Justice Oversight — Mrs. Waugh serves as the only educational representative on this committee. She will suggest that school administrators be able to speak to the committee in the future.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS
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**INDIVIDUAL
MEMBER
REPORTS**

Individual Board member reports: Mrs. Busch suggested that any feedback on the potential KSHSAA reclassification be given to her or Mr. Porter as the Board's representatives. Mrs. Cauble asked for more information on utilizing services available from the TASN (Technical Assistance System Network) online website. Mr. Willard suggested researching the Indiana legislature's scholarship fund for new teachers to see if Kansas could promote something similar. Ms. Wims-Campbell attended the KSDE annual conference and an installation ceremony for participants in the Jobs for America's Graduates program. Mrs. Cauble toured multiple schools in her district with Commissioner Watson. Several Board members commented on specific parts of the NASBE annual conference.

In his Chairman's report, Mr. McNiece also commented on Kansas' participation in the NASBE conference in Kansas City. He then talked about the KSDE annual conference, American Education Week, the Commissioner's recent tour of school districts, and preparation of an informational packet for new and returning legislators about the *Kansans CAN* vision.

Future Agenda Requests: Mr. Willard requested that an evaluation report on Istation and the Reading for Success Program be provided more than once a year. Mr. Roberts asked for the following topics: effective educators and teacher college attendance, eliminating race or gender identification of students, state-funded school meal program without federal free or reduced program participation. Mr. Porter and Mrs. Horst asked to discuss ways to build bridges with legislators and inform them about State Board positions. Mr. Porter asked for the topic of schools' challenges to address mental health; Mrs. Busch would like to include support offered through community agencies in the same discussion. Mrs. Horst would like to hear from the Kansas Art Educators Association and other art education organizations about professional development and adhering to the Rose Capacities.

**ATTORNEY'S
REPORT**

Board Attorney Mark Ferguson offered to answer questions about his written monthly report.

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BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL

Additions to the travel requests were: Mrs. Busch, Nov. 14 Council for Exceptional Children/Special Education event, omit Nov. 17 KSHSAA executive board meeting second day; Dec. 3 KASB panel, Dec. 15 Teacher Vacancy and Supply committee meeting; Ms. Wims-Campbell, Dec. 3 and 4, KASB Annual Convention; Mrs. Cauble Dec. 15 Teacher Vacancy and Supply meeting, omit Nov. 15 southwest Kansas chamber event; Mrs. Waugh Nov. 14 meeting with assistant attorney general; Mr. McNiece Nov. 22 new member orientation, Dec. 3 KASB panel; Mr. Willard Nov. 15 ESSDACK Career Fair, Nov. 22 Complete High School Thanksgiving event, Nov. 30-Dec. 2 National Summit on Education Reform, Dec. 3 KASB panel, Dec. 8 and 9 Education Leaders Conference; Mr. Roberts Nov. 22 Complete High School Thanksgiving event, Nov. 30-Dec. 2 National Summit on Education Reform. Mrs. Horst moved to approve the travel list and additions. Mr. Porter seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

BREAK

There was a break until 10:40 p.m.

WORK SESSION ON VISION OUTCOME—MEASUREMENT OF POSTSECONDARY SUCCESS

A work session concluded the day's agenda. All Board members were present. Directors Scott Smith and Lane Wiley presented information about data available from the National Student Clearinghouse that would help capture students' postsecondary progress after high school graduation and into the initial year afterwards. They explained the categories of data available from the National Student Clearinghouse and how this information would establish a data infrastructure to aid in tracking the success of each student. Points of conversation included data not currently collected from other sources and full vs. part-time attendance. Next, Education Program Consultant Stacy Smith provided a more in-depth explanation of competency-based learning models. He shared

several examples of how other states have transitioned away from “seat time” in favor of a structure that creates flexibility and allows students to progress as they demonstrate mastery of the subject regardless of time, place or pace of learning. Kansas current offers credit flexibility in the Quality Performance Accreditation regulations.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 13 and Wednesday, Dec. 14. In January, the Board will select a new chair and vice chair to serve for the next two years.

Jim McNiece, Chairman

Peggy Hill, Secretary