



Kansas State Board of Education – April 8 & 9, 2025, Meeting

Action

TUES 1. MINUTES Mrs. Haas moved; Mrs. Arnold seconded to approve the minutes. Motion carried 7-1-2- with Mrs. Potter voting against, and Mrs. O'Brien and Mrs. Dombrosky voting present not voting.

TUES 2. AGENDA Mrs. Arnold moved; Mrs. Potter seconded. Motion carried 10-0

TUES 3. CONSENT AGENDA Mrs. Haas moved; Mrs. Arnold seconded. Motion carried 9-1 with Mr. Zeck voting no.

Consent Agenda was:

- Receive monthly personnel report and appointments to unclassified positions
- Act on teacher licensure waivers
- Act on Local Professional Development plans
- Approve USD 367 Osawatomie, Miami County for Capital Improvement (bond and interest) state aid and to hold a bond election
- Notification of four private schools and one scholarship granting organizations to participate in the Tax Credit for Low Income Student Scholarship program

TUES 6. PARENTS AS TEACHERS Mrs. Haas moved to approve, Mrs. Arnold seconded. Motion carried 6-4 with Mrs. Potter, Mr. Zeck, Mrs. O'Brien and Mrs. Dombrosky voting no.

TUES 7. FFA Mrs. O'Brien moved to approve to request a contract with Kansas State University to support the Kansas FFA, Mrs. Arnold seconded. Motion carried 9-0-1 with Mrs. Dombrosky present not voting.

TUES 8. SUMMER MEALS Mrs. Haas moved to approve a contract for the Kansas Association of Broadcasters for summer meals, Mr. Porter seconded. Motion failed 5-5 with Mr. Hershberger, Mrs. Potter, Mr. Zeck, Mrs. O'Brien and Mrs. Dombrosky voting against.

TUES 9. LITERACY Mr. Porter moved to approve adding KBOR Literacy training and the ETS Reading specialist test (code 5302) to the state approved testing list. Motion carried 10-0.

TUES 16. PPC two motions to deny. A. Mrs. Arnold made a motion to approve the recommendation of the PPC, Mrs. Haas seconded the motion. Motion carried 10-0. B. Mrs. Arnold made a motion to approve the recommendation of the PPC, Mr. Hershberger seconded the motion. Motion carried 10-0.

Additional Item, last on WED. Wyandotte County Special Education Coop

Mrs. Arnold moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of voting on an item immediately. Mrs. Haas seconded the motion. **Motion carried 9-0** (Mr. Porter had to leave prior to the vote)

Mrs. Haas moved to approve the updated Articles of Agreement to organize and operation the Wyandotte Comprehensive Education Cooperative. Mrs. O'Brien seconded the motion. **Motion carried 9-0.** (Mr. Porter had to leave prior to the vote)

Receive Items (For May)

WED 8. Recommendations for approving Preschool-Aged At-Risk programs for 2025-2026.
(Amanda Petersen)

WED 9. ASSESSMENTS Updated performance level descriptors for 2025 assessments (Beth Fultz)

WED 10. AMERICORPS To approve funding request for 2025-2026 AMERICORPS Kansas Grant Awards (Dr. Jessica Dorsey)

WED 11. Educator Preparation Provider Standards for History, Government, and Social Studies 5-8 and 6-12 (Dr. Catherine Chmidling and Dr. Alan English)

WED 12. Contract with the Kansas Office of Administrative Hearings (Scott Gordon)

Presentations

Commissioner's Report

State Assessments: The role of the KAAC Kansas Assessment Advisory Council with Dr. Daniel Gruman (Beth Fultz)

Cash Balances (Dr. Harwood)

The Power of Theater in Kansas Schools (Joyce Huser)

Legislative Update and Federal Update (Dr. Harwood and Scott Gordon)

Executive Session on Federal Update

School Mental Health Advisory Council with focus on Bullying Prevention Toolkit (Kent Reed and Dr. Tamara Huff-Johnson)

Update on Literacy Initiatives in Kansas Schools (Dr. Curtis, Jeri Powers, Amy Bybee)

Screens in the Classroom: Healthy Initiatives (Susan Dunaway)

Honors

Kansas Teacher of the Year Presentation

CTE Career and Technical Education Scholars Announcement

Presentations of KS Certificate in Child Nutrition

Former Superintendent and lifelong Kansas Educator, Craig Elliott

Purple Star Schools Presentation

Board Future Requests:

Michelle Dombrosky: Data, informed consent, user agreement, what are you agreeing when you consent to something?

Melanie Haas: longitudinal data system, how accessible, how it is stored, etc....

Cathy Hopkins: AI issues, districts looking for guidance, continue conversation about technology, social workers in the schools and who is licensing them?

Dennis Hershberger: mental health and screen time/technology effect on students