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Agenda Monday, April 7

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Board Retreat to be held at the Kansas Health Institute, 212 SW 8th Ave #300, Topeka, directly North of the Capitol. This is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC and LIVESTREAMED on YouTube KSDE LiveMedia channel.

Agenda Tuesday, April 8

Kansas State Department of Education, Suite 102 (Board Room)

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

TIME	ITEM	DURATION	PRESENTER
10:00 a.m.	Call to Order and Roll Call Mission Statement, Moment of Silent Reflection or Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance	5 min	Chair Hopkins
10:05 a.m. (AI)	1. Approval of the Minutes for March 11, 2025		
(AI)	2. Approval of Agenda		
(AI)	3. Approval of Consent Agenda		
	a. Receive monthly personnel report and appointments to unclassified positions		Wendy Fritz, Director, Human Resources
	b. Act on teacher licensure waivers		Shane Carter, Director, Teacher Licensure
	c. Act on Local Professional Development Plans		Shane Carter
	d. Approve USD 367 Osawatome, Miami County for capital improvement (bond and interest) state aid		Dr. Harwood, Deputy Commissioner, Division of Fiscal and Administrative Services

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(AI) Action Item, (RI) Receive Item, (IO) Information Item, (DI) Discussion

BOARD AGENDA

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	e. Approve USD 367 Osawatomie, Miami County to hold a bond election		Dr. Harwood
	f. Notification to the Kansas State Board of Education of the intention of four private schools and one scholarship granting organization to participate in the Tax Credit for Low Income Student Scholarship program (TCLISSP)		Dale Brungardt, Director, School Finance
10:10 a.m. (IO)	4. Commissioner's Report	20 min	Dr. Randy Watson
10:30 a.m.	5. Citizen's Open Forum	15 min	
10:45 a.m. (AI)	6. Act on Recommendations for funding Kansas Parents as Teachers 2025-2026	5 min	Amanda Petersen, Director, Early Childhood
10:50 a.m. (AI)	7. Act on request to contract with Kansas State University to support Kansas FFA (Future Farmers of America)	5 min	Natalie Clark, Asst. Director, Career, Standards and Assessment Services
10:55 a.m. (AI)	8. Act on request to approve a contract for the Kansas Association of Broadcasters for summer meals	5 min	Emily Bonilla, Asst. Director, Child Nutrition and Wellness
11:00 a.m. (AI)	9. Act to add KBOR's Literacy training to the state-approved training list and to add ETS' Reading Specialist test (code 5302) to the state-approved testing list.	5 min	Shane Carter, Director, Teacher Licensure
11:05 a.m.	BREAK	10 min	
11:15 a.m. (IO)	10. State Assessments: The role of the Kansas Assessment Advisory Council (KAAC) with Dr. Daniel Gruman, Director of Assessment of Research at Shawnee Mission USD 512	30 min	Beth Fultz, Director, Career, Standards and Assessment Services
11:45 a.m. (IO)	11. Cash Balances	15 min	Dr. Frank Harwood, Deputy Commissioner, Fiscal and Administrative Services

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TIME	ITEM	DURATION	PRESENTER
12 p.m. (noon)	Lunch	1.5 hour	
1:30 p.m. (IO)	12. The Power of Theater in Kansas Schools USD 385 Andover	30 min	Joyce Huser, Fine Arts, Division of Learning Services
2:00 p.m. (IO)	13. Kansas Teacher of the Year (KTOY) Presentation	45 min	Denise Kahler, Director, Communications
2:45 p.m.	Break	15 min	
3:00 p.m. (IO)	14. CTE Career and Technical Education Scholars Announcement	30 min	Natalie Clark, Asst. Director, Career, Standards and Assessment Services
3:30 p.m. (IO)	15. Legislative Update	30 min	Dr. Frank Harwood, Deputy Commissioner, Fiscal and Administrative Services
4:00 p.m.	Break	10 min	
4:10 p.m. (AI)	16. Professional Practices Commission (PPC) Recommendations	15 min	Scott Gordon, General Counsel, KSDE
4:25 p.m. (IO)	17. Committee Reports	15 min	Board members
4:40 p.m.	RECESS		

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Agenda Wednesday, April 9

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Wednesday, April 9, 2025

TIME	ITEM	DURATION	PRESENTER
9:00 a.m.	Call to Order		Chair Hopkins
9:00 a.m. (IO)	1. Presentation on School Mental Health Advisory Council with focus on Bullying Prevention Tool Kit	35 min	Kent Reed, Bullying prevention, Counseling, Division of Direct Learning Services Dr. Jane Groff, Executive Director of Kansas Parent Information Resource Center Staff
9:30 a.m. (IO)	2. Update on Literacy Initiatives in Kansas Schools	25 min	Dr. Laurie Curtis, Dyslexia Coordinator Jeri Powers, Reading Specialist, Baldwin City Amy Bybee, Asst. Superintendent, Ottawa USD 290
10:00 a.m.	BREAK	10 min	
10:10 a.m. (IO)	3. Screens in the Classroom: Healthy Initiatives	45 min	Susan Dunaway, LCPC, Olathe
10:55 a.m. (IO)	4. Presentations of KS Certificate in Child Nutrition	20 min	Kelly Chanay, Director, Child Nutrition and Wellness
11:15 a.m.	BREAK (with photos)	15 min	
11:30 a.m. (IO)	5. Former Superintendent and lifelong Kansas Educator, Craig Elliott	10 min	Dr. Watson

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Wednesday, April 9, 2025

TIME	ITEM	DURATION	PRESENTER
12:00 noon	LUNCH	1 hour	
1:00 p.m. (IO)	7. Purple Star Schools Presentation	30 min	Dale Brungardt, Director, School Finance
1:30 p.m. (RI)	8. Receive recommendations for approving Preschool-Aged At-Risk programs for 2025- 2026	30 min	Amanda Petersen and Natalie McClane, Early Childhood
2:00 p.m.	BREAK	10 min	
2:10 p.m. (RI)	9. Receive updated performance level descriptors for 2025 Assessments	5 min	Beth Fultz, Director, Career, Standards and Assessment services
2:15 p.m. (RI)	10. Receive funding request for 2025-2026 Ameri-Corp Kansas Grant Awards	15 min	Jessica Dorsey, Kansas Volunteer Council
2:30 p.m. (RI)	11. Receive educator preparation provider standards for History, Government, Social Studies 5-8 and 6-12.	15 min	Dr. Catherine Chmidling, Teacher Licensure & Standards Committee Chair Dr. Alan English
2:45 p.m. (RI)	12. Receive contract with the Kansas Office of Administrative Hearings	15 min	Scott Gordon, General Counsel, KSDE
3:00 p.m.	BREAK	10 min	
3:10 p.m. (AI)	13. Board Travel Requests	5 min	Chair Hopkins
3:15 p.m. (DI)	14. Board Future Requests	5 min	Chair Hopkins
3:20 p.m. (DI)	15. Board Comments	10 min	Chair Hopkins
3:30 p.m.	ADJOURN		

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