

Kansas State Board of Education -October 8 & 9, 2024 Meeting

Presentations

Farm to School Report with Crunch off Eryn Davies & Barb Depew from CNW with Todd Wollard, Food Service Director, and Superintendent Chris Johnson for Prairie View, USD 362. Becky Shearer, Food Service Director, and Superintendent Tyson Eslinger for Morris County, USD 417.

Annual Report by the Commissioner

Eisenhower Middle School Modern Music Choir (Mrs. Metzger, teacher and choir director)

Blue Ribbon School Awards

Garfield Elementary Augusta, Principal Trever Lockamy Lincoln Elementary, Geary County, USD 475 Principal Daniel Dinkel (not present) Sunflower Elementary Paola, Principal Staci Wokutch Herington Elementary, Principal Nick Morgan

Teacher Fall Vacancy Report (Shane Carter, KSDE)

SEAC Special Education Advisory Committee Quarterly Report (Bert Moore, KSDE)

KPERS overview: Focus on Teachers (Alan Conroy, KPERS)

Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot (Amanda Peterson KSDE and 4 teachers, Salina & Stockton)

Dorothy Dorman, National First place winner (Melissa Ostermeyer, KSDE)

How high performing school districts exceed expectations on State Board outcomes (Mark Tallman, KASB)

Action

TUES Item 11: Act on the recommendations of the Professional Practices Commission (denial, grant and revoked)

Mrs. Horst moved that the Kansas State Board of Education deny the application for a transitional teaching license in 23-PPC-50, revoke the license in the case of 23-PPC-37, and grant the issuance of license 23-PPC-07. Mr. Porter seconded the motion. **Motion carried 10-0.**

TUES Item 13: Receive and Act on recommendations from the Evaluation Review Committee (ERC) for higher education accreditation and program review

Action will take place in November.

TUES Item 16: Act to approve Professional Standards Board recommendations on licensure literacy test requirements

Mrs. Arnold moved that the Kansas State Board of Education accept the Professional Standards
Board recommendation to adopt test(s) and passing score(s) for veteran educators to
demonstrate knowledge of the science of reading in lieu of completing state-approved training.
Mr. McNiece seconded the motion. Motion carried 10-0.

WED Item 3: Act on Board Policy Committee Policy Recommendations and Quick Start Reference Guide

Motion 1

Mrs. Arnold moved that the Quick Start Reference Guide be accepted by the Kansas State Board of Education as recommended. Mrs. Horst seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued.

Mrs. Hopkins offered an amendment to the motion, on line 10 of the board member expectations, to strike the words "to the press or in social media." Mr. Hershberger seconded the motion. Motion carried 10-0.

(back on the **original motion**) Mrs. Arnold moved that the Quick Start Reference Guide be accepted by the Kansas State Board of Education as recommended. Mrs. Horst seconded the motion. **Motion carried 10-0**.

Motion 2

Mrs. Arnold moved that the logistics section of the Quick Start Reference Guide be accepted by the Kansas State Board of Education as recommended. Mr. Porter seconded.

Discussion ensued.

Mrs. Dombrosky offered an **amendment** to the motion, that the word "continued" be stricken from the fourth section "First Meeting." Mrs. Hopkins seconded the motion. **Motion carried 10-0**.

(back on the **original motion**) Mrs. Arnold moved that the logistics section of the Quick Start Reference Guide be accepted by the Kansas State Board of Education as recommended. Mr. Porter seconded **Motion carried 9-0-1**. Mr. Zeck abstained.

Motion 3

Mrs. Arnold described the recommendation of the Policy Committee in reference to the seating chart for the Board. The proposed addition is:

[Policy 1007: OFFICERS – ELECTION, TENURE, AND DUTIES; P. 8]

(insert prior to existing B) **Order of seating**: Board leadership is elected at the first official meeting. After input from Board members and considering length of service, Board leadership will design a seating chart for use starting the following month. There is a long tradition that members who have served the longest always have a choice of where they want to sit. Leadership will take this into consideration when designing the seating chart.

Mrs. Arnold moved that the addition to Policy 1007 be approved by the Kansas State Board of Education. Mrs. Hopkins seconded the motion. Motion carried 10-0.

Motion 4

Mrs. Arnold explained the recommendation relating to the election of officers (Chair and Vice Chair) as the removal of the word *may* and the insertion of *shall*.

(Policy: Officers – Election, Page 8 in Policy Manual) At its January meeting in odd-numbered years the state Board shall organize by election of a chair, vice chair and appointment of an attorney for the Board and secretary to the Board. Election of officers may (delete may) (insert shall) be by signed ballot. Each signed ballot shall be open for inspection by law

Mrs. Arnold moved that the recommendation of replacing *may* with *shall* be approved by the Kansas State Board of Education. Mrs. Horst seconded the motion. Motion carried 10-0.

Motion 5

Mrs. Arnold explained the recommendation relation voting by the State Board.

[remove the words "or abstaining" from Section G.(2)]

Replace Section G.(2) (Page 17) as follows:

(2) On any motion before the State Board, a recorded vote shall be taken and made a part of the public record. (K.S.A. 72-251) The name of any member voting against a motion, or present not voting, shall be recorded in the minutes.

(insert new section H on p. 18) Voting

- (1) Voting is done by a visible show of hands for each motion made and seconded.
- (2) State Statute requires six (6) affirmative votes to pass a motion regardless of the number of Board members present for the meeting. (KSA 72-251)
- (3) <u>As amended:</u> "The board votes with a yes, no, present not voting, or recusal. A present not voting will be recorded in the minutes

- (4) A "recusal" from voting is based upon a direct interest in a question, not based upon disagreement with or opposition to the question presented.
- (5) The Board member who has a direct interest in the question, shall state the reasons for the request and shall leave the room when the vote is taken.

Mrs. Arnold moved that the changes to G.(2) (Page 17) and H (Page 18) be approved as recommended. Mr. Porter seconded the motion.

Amendment: Chair Haas moved that on H. item 3 "The board votes with a yes, no, present not voting, or recusal. A present not voting will be recorded in the minutes." Mr. Porter seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-1. Mr. Zeck voted no.

(back on the **original motion**) Mrs. Arnold moved that the changes to G.(2) (Page 17) and H (Page 18) be approved as recommended. Mr. Porter seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-2. Mrs. Dombrosky and Mr. Zeck voted no.

WED Item 7: Consent Agenda

Mr. Porter moved that the Kansas State Board of Education approve those items on the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-1. Mr. Zeck voted no.

- a. Receive monthly personnel report and personnel appointments to unclassified positions.
- b. Act on teacher licensure waivers
- c. Act to approve local professional development plans
- d. Act on request from USD 259 Wichita for capital improvement (bond and interest) state aid
- e. Act on request from USD 259 Wichita to hold a bond election
- f. Act to approve school districts participating in the At-Risk Accountability Plan Pilot Program in 2024-2025 and 2025-2026.
- g. Act to authorize initiation of Request for Proposal (RFP) process to negotiation a contract for State Board Attorney legal services.

WED Item 7: Items taken off the Consent Agenda

Mr. Porter moved that the Kansas State Board of Education approve Consent item h. Kindergarten Readiness Snapshot (ASQ) contract for state fiscal years 2025-2028. Mrs. Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-3. Mr. Zeck, Mrs. Hopkins, and Mrs. Dombrowsky voted no.

Mr. Porter moved that the Kansas State Board of Education approve Consent Item i. Contract with the Agile Technology Solutions (ATS) at the Assessment and Achievement Institute (AAIO at the University of Kansas to develop and field test the US Department of Education grant award for the Partnership to Review and Improve Student Performance via Multiple Measures (PRISM).

Mrs. Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-3. Mrs. Dombrosky, Mr. Zeck and Mr. Hershberger voted no.

WED Act on Board Travel Mrs. Arnold moves that the Kansas State Board of Education approve the Board travel requests as presented. Dr. Horst seconded the motion. Motion carried 10-0.

Receive Items:

Recommendations from the Evaluation Review Committee (ERC) for higher Education Accreditation and Program Review (Catherine Chmidling)