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SUMMARY OF THE DECEMBER 2022 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MTG

Action

- Adopted the 2023 legislative positions, as amended, for the Kansas State Board of Education (see attached).
- Approved 6 public school district ESSER II change requests, 13 ESSER III expenditure plan applications and 8 ESSER III change requests as recommended by the Task Force for use of federal COVID-19 relief funds.
- Approved the Accreditation Review Council's KESA Recommendation to grant the status of Accredited to USD #377 Atchison.
- In two separate votes, the Board approved all items on the consent agenda.
- Amended graduation dates for graduation requirement changes to be in effect for the class graduating in the Spring of 2028.

Presentations

- Commissioner Randy Watson continued discussing graduation and post-secondary effective rates. He pointed out the drastic difference in size that exists between school districts across the states, yet districts of all size are seeing dramatic changes. The focus for all districts needs to be moving students that are level 1 on Kansas Assessments to level 2, where their chance for post-secondary success increases substantially.
- Jane Groff and Tamara Huff (Kansas Parent Information Resource Center) along with Robyn Kelso (KSDE) gave an in depth look at the problem of Chronic Absenteeism in schools.
- lay Scott (KSDE) presented 3 school systems to be approved for accreditation status at the January 2023 meeting. Those systems are USD 308 Hutchinson, USD 343 Perry and USD 463 Udall.
- Michael Koonce (Greenbush) and Janine Hron (KU) presented a proposed plan for the 2023 Sunflower Summer program.
- Legislative Interim Committee reports were given by KSDE Deputy Commissioner Craig Neuenswander from the Interim Committee Concerning Special Education Options, Mental Health Intervention Team Pilot, Safe and Secure Schools, and Cybersecurity in Schools.
- An introduction to the Interstate Teaching Mobility Compact was given by KSDE's Licensure Director Shane Carter and General Counsel Scott Gordon.
- Student and District Showcases Three students from Blue Valley USD 229 CAPS presented what they are currently working on through the program and Cheney USD 268 presented on their efforts

to increase post-secondary success in their district.

• Daniel Archer (Kansas Board of Regents) presented to the Board their proposed Statewide Dual Credit Agreement.

Discussions

• Deputy Commissioner Dr. Ben Proctor began a discussion with the Board on what needs to be addressed to ensure that Kansas students are academically prepared for post-secondary success.

Next Regular Meeting – Tuesday, January 10th and Wednesday, January 11th in Topeka.