

MINUTES



Kansas State Board of Education

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jim Porter called the monthly meeting of the Kansas State Board of Education to order at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2021, in the Board Room of the Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas. He thanked everyone for their hard work to prepare a safe learning environment for students and staff as the pandemic continues to create challenges for schools. He also reminded motorists to be alert for school buses and student drivers.

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ROLL CALL

All Board members were present:

Betty Arnold	Ben Jones
Jean Clifford	Ann Mah
Michelle Dombrosky	Jim McNiece
Melanie Haas	Jim Porter
Deena Horst	Janet Waugh

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

Chairman Porter 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 AGENDA

Mr. McNiece moved to approve the Tuesday agenda as presented. Dr. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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APPROVAL OF THE JULY MEETING MINUTES

Mrs. Clifford moved to approve the minutes of the July 13 and 14 regular Board meeting. Mrs. Haas seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Dr. Randy Watson summarized key points about each phase of federal COVID-19 relief funds available to public and private systems through ESSER and EANS respectively. Each distribution has different protocol and deadlines for systems to follow in order to receive the federal aid. Dr. Watson emphasized that \$60 million is being directed to special education over three years. He cautioned districts to plan for when the additional SPED support ends. He also encouraged Board members to help inform local boards and legislators about future SPED needs. Dr. Watson then commented on these other topics:

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- Sunflower Summer offered free attendance to 71 of the state's educational venues for Kansas students and families from July 1 to Aug. 15. There have been 57,657 total visits to date. Sunflower Summer has been considered a very successful use of federal relief funds.
- LETRS science of reading training, which rolls out this month, targets several teacher groups, primarily PreK-3, with a focus on special education, ESOL and other areas. There are two models of delivery over the next three years — direct training to larger school districts and training through service centers for smaller districts. Higher education teacher candidates will

also be offered LETRS training. The purpose of the professional development is to further support struggling student readers.

- STAR recognition awards are given to schools with significant achievement in the State Board outcomes. Dr. Watson acknowledged districts that received merit in four, five or six categories.
- The Kansans Can Success Tour began July 26. Dr. Watson and Dr. Brad Neuenswander are in the process of visiting 50 cities to gather feedback from Kansans about the future of education. This is a follow-up to the community conversations tour that took place six years ago. The new data will be shared once the tour is completed.

CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM

Chairman Porter declared the Citizens' Forum open at 10:34 a.m. There were no speakers this month. However, written public comment was received from Celia Ramirez regarding use of masks. Chairman Porter declared the Citizens Forum closed at 10:35 a.m.

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PRESENTATION OF KANSANS CAN BEST PRACTICE AWARDS TO CHILD NUTRITION AND WELLNESS PROGRAM RECIPIENTS

KSDE's Child Nutrition and Wellness division created Kansans Can Best Practice Awards five years ago to recognize outstanding programs that support the Kansans Can vision. CNW Director Cheryl Johnson introduced the 2020-21 recipients, briefly commenting on their specific honors and noting their creativity and leadership during the pandemic. Those recognized were: Wamego USD 320 (six-week cooks and books program combining literacy and nutrition); Haven USD 312 (farm to table BBQ field day partnering with FFA and small businesses); Southern Lyon County USD 252 (farm to family box meal program supporting families in need); Child Care Links, based in Hutchinson (small staff demonstrating how to lead and persevere during a crisis).

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ACTION ON RECOMMENDATION FOR KANSAS EDUCATION SYSTEMS ACCREDITATION

Last month, Board members were provided information on 14 public systems seeking an accreditation decision in 2021 through the Kansas Education System Accreditation (KESA) process. An Executive Summary for each system outlined findings and accreditation level recommendations based on evaluations of the Outside Visitation Team and Accreditation Review Council. Dr. Mischel Miller brought forth these systems for action. Mr. Jones moved to accept the recommendations of the Accreditation Review Council and award the status of Accredited to Cimarron-Ensign USD 102, Prairie Hills USD 113, Olathe USD 233, Emporia USD 253, Valley Center USD 262, Rock Creek USD 323, Oxford USD 358, Caldwell USD 360, Chaparral USD 361, Holcomb USD 363, Durham-Hillsboro-Lehigh USD 410, Auburn-Washburn USD 437, Dodge City USD 443 and South Haven USD 509. Mrs. Arnold seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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RECEIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR KANSAS EDUCATION SYSTEMS ACCREDITATION

The Accreditation Review Council (ARC) met in July to consider documentation on 14 systems, both public and private, and make recommendations for an accreditation status. Dr. Mischel Miller referenced the informational findings of the ARC regarding these systems. Executive summaries, accountability reports and other narratives were provided to Board members for Ottawa USD 290, Concordia USD 333, North Jackson USD 335, Royal Valley USD 337, Jefferson West USD 340, Seaman USD 345, Chanute USD 413, and several systems within the Kansas City Kansas Archdiocese — Sacred Heart, Saints Peter and Paul, Holy Name, Holy Rosary, Holy Family, Mater Dei, St. Rose Philippine. The ARC considers compliance and foundational structures to support a five-year process of continuous improvement. Board members will act on the ARC recommendations in September. Dr. Miller also explained the process to appeal an ARC decision.

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ACTION ON PUBLIC SCHOOL EXPENDITURE PLANS FOR ESSER II FEDERAL COVID-19 RELIEF FUNDS

Assistant Director Doug Boline provided an ESSER II status overview, noting how many districts have submitted plans or change requests throughout the process. He also profiled the day's applicant slate as well as Task Force recommendations for the current expenditure plans (21) and change requests (12). He cited the submission of Herington USD 487 as a good example of how the district plans to distribute premium pay. Mr. Boline then reviewed the upcoming timeline for EANS II, which is federal relief specific to private systems.

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Mrs. Clifford moved to accept the recommendations of the Commissioner's Task Force on ESSER and EANS Distribution of Money and approve the submission of school district expenditure plans for ESSER II federal COVID-19 relief funds as presented. Dr. Horst seconded. Motion carried 9-0-1 with Mrs. Dombrosky abstaining.

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Board members took a break until 11:35 a.m.

BREAK

UPDATE FROM E-CIGARETTE / VAPING TASK FORCE

The Kansas State Board of Education directed KSDE staff to form an E-Cigarette/Vaping Task Force in June 2019. Since then, the Task Force has met regularly to develop and disseminate educational resources to schools across Kansas. Task Force coordinator Dr. Mark Thompson updated the Board on current work, including a special training project to help schools prevent and minimize vape use in Kansas schools. The project — Vaping ECHO for Education — is a direct outgrowth of the Vaping Task Force with support from multiple agencies. Forty-nine schools applied for 20 openings. Dr. Thompson also reported on new subgroups within the Task Force, then answered Board member questions. Of particular concern was identifying students who are already hooked on electronic nicotine devices.

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The meeting recessed for lunch at noon.

LUNCH

Chairman Porter called the afternoon session to order at 1:30 p.m. At that time, Dr. Watson introduced Nathan McAlister, the new Humanities Program Coordinator at KSDE, who will oversee History, Government and Social Studies among other content areas.

P.M. SESSION

KANSANS CAN HIGHLIGHT — RECOGNITION OF SEAMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS FOR NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MUSEUM SHOWCASE

Four students from Seaman Middle School (USD 345) had their National History Day Project recently featured in a virtual showcase at the National Women's History Museum. The students' performance was one of only 20 nationwide selected for the showcase. Kyle Johnson, Gifted Coordinator at SMS, introduced students Emma Nord, Emily Pane and Miley Proplesch. Student Ella Shipley was part of the team, but not able to attend the meeting. Students explained their research which led to producing "Hedy Lammaar: More Than Just a Pretty Face." They showed their video highlighting Ms. Lammaar's contributions to discovering frequency hopping, a forerunner to Bluetooth and WiFi, and other technology that impacts how people communicate today.

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RECEIVE HIGHER EDUCATION EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

Educator Preparation Program Standards are designed to ensure that teacher candidates in Kansas have access to learning opportunities aligned with the needs of today's learners and expectations of teachers. The Institutions of higher education utilize program standards to develop their preparation programs. The State Board of Education gives final approval to these standards.

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Dr. Jim Persinger, College of Education at Emporia State University, chaired the standards review committee. He was present to explain proposed revisions to the Board. Updates included vocabulary, current needs of the field, evidence-based practices, prevention/intervention, and more emphasis on mental health. Dr. Persinger received a number of questions and comments, including a request to clarify and promote the various roles of a school psychologist as part of the standards. The State Board will vote on the standards for school psychologist in September.

INFORMATION ON STUDENT SCREEN TIME FROM A WHOLE CHILD PERSPECTIVE

The intent of this discussion was to receive an overview regarding screen time from a whole child perspective, looking at current information on both physical and social-emotional health components. Education Program Consultant Dr. Mark Thompson was joined in the presentation by KSDE colleagues Kent Reed and Dr. Stephen King, each addressing some of the factors that can impact a student’s well-being. Among the considerations were defining adequate vs. excessive screen time; explaining that not all screen time is the same (e.g. passive, active and interactive); research not clearly differentiating between school and non-school screen time; increased integration of technology. Angie Stallbaumer, Assistant Director for Legal Services at the Kansas Association of School Boards, spoke about legal and administrative concerns for schools, as well as the Children’s Internet Protection Act, which seeks to protect minors from unauthorized access. During discussion, it was suggested that more data needs to be collected, which could help in determining best practices.

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Board members took a break until 3:30 p.m.

BREAK

ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

Jennifer Holt, Chair of the Professional Practices Commission, summarized details of the PPC’s recommendations on three cases. Mr. Porter moved to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the Professional Practices Commission and deny the applications of individuals in cases 21-PPC-02, 21-PPC-10 and 21-PPC-11. Mrs. Haas seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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ACTION ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL SCREENING OF PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES CASES

KSDE’s General Counsel Scott Gordon presented a proposal that would give the Office of General Counsel additional authority to approve professional practices (licensure) applicants that meet specific criteria, without going through the Professional Practices Commission or State Board. Mr. Gordon described several guiding considerations such as severity, frequency, recency, and consistency in actions of the State Board. Mrs. Waugh moved to authorize KSDE’s Office of General Counsel to approve actionable licensees and applicants within the parameters presented. Mrs. Arnold seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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ACTION ON APPOINTMENTS TO THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) provides policy guidance to the State Board with respect to special education and related services for children with exceptionalities in the state. Council membership consists of stakeholders throughout the state with the majority being individuals with disabilities and parents of children with disabilities. The State Board of Education approves appointments to the Council. Members reviewed all nominations. KSDE Director Bert Moore then brought forth recommendations of the SEAC membership committee. Mr. Jones moved to appoint new members Sabrina Rishel, Barney Pontius, Lena Kisner, Michelle Warner to fill openings on the Special Education Advisory Council with terms effective July 2021 - June 2024. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Haas moved to approve all items on the Consent Agenda. Mr. Jones seconded. Motion carried 10-0. In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

- received the monthly Personnel Report for July.
- confirmed the unclassified personnel appointments of Dale Brungardt as Director on the School Finance team, effective July 1, 2021, at an annual salary of \$109,670.86; Diane Gjerstad as Public Service Executive on the School Finance team, effective July 1, 2021, at an annual salary of \$48,000; Guy Shoulders as Education Program Consultant on the Career, Standards and Assessment Services (CSAS) team, effective July 6, 2021, at an annual salary of \$56,118.40; Nathan McAlister as Humanities Program Manager on the CSAS team, effective July 6, 2021, at an annual salary of \$70,000.06.
- approved Visiting Scholar licenses valid for the 2021-22 school year as follows: Alisa Morse and Michael Farmer, both renewals with Blue Valley USD 229 Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS) program; Amanda Stinemetz, Hill City USD 281; Jordan Burr, Olathe USD 233.
- accepted recommendations of the Licensure Review Committee as follows: *Approved cases* — 3380, 3381, 3382, 3383, 3384, 3386, 3388, 3389, 3391, 3392, 3397, 3398, 3399, 3402.
- accepted the following recommendations of the Evaluation Review Committee: accreditation for Newman University and Ottawa University, both through June 30, 2028.
- authorized the following districts to hold bond elections on the question of issuing bonds in excess of the district's general bond debt limitation: USD 393 Solomon, USD 426 Pike Valley.
- authorized the following districts to receive capital improvement (bond and interest) state aid as authorized by law: USD 393 Solomon, USD 426 Pike Valley.
- approved recommendations for funding the 2021-22 McKinney Vento Children and Youth Homeless grants as follows: USD 233 Olathe \$50,300; USD 259 Wichita \$247,075; USD 260 Derby \$10,700; USD 261 Haysville \$40,000; USD 289 Wellsville \$10,000; USD 290 Ottawa \$30,000; USD 348 Baldwin \$13,400; USD 383 Manhattan-Ogden \$30,400; USD 457 Garden City \$21,242; USD 475 Geary County \$29,500; USD 500 Kansas City \$118,433; USD 501 Topeka \$40,000. Total funding: \$641,050.
- approved USD 231 Gardner-Edgerton, USD 432 Victoria and USD 496 Pawnee Heights to operate Preschool-Aged At-Risk programs for 2021-22.

authorized the Commissioner of Education to negotiate and

- initiate a contract bid process for operation of a statewide program to identify and train education advocates for students with disabilities from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027, in a contract amount not to exceed \$1,625,000 out of federal funds.
- enter into a contract with Jon Gordon Companies for keynote speaker services at the KSDE Annual Conference in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.
- enter into a contract with the Kansas Association of Educational Service Agencies to support Perkins V special population updates in an amount not to exceed \$143,085 from Aug. 15, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
- enter into a contract with Kansas YMCAs in an amount not to exceed \$520,000 for the purpose of providing scholarships/financial assistance for the youth they serve in their before and after school programs for 2021-22 school year.

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- initiate a contract for the purpose of conducting regional trainings for Kansas educators, which will be led by Kansas Teacher of the Year teams, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 from August 2021 through September 2024.

DISCUSSION ON NOVEMBER 2022 STATE BOARD MEETING DATES

In July, the State Board set regular meeting dates for calendar years 2022 and 2023, following the traditional schedule of meeting the second Tuesday and Wednesday of the month. A recommendation was made to alter the Tuesday, Nov. 8 meeting which conflicts with state elections. Mr. Porter presented three options for consideration, but no vote was taken to amend at this time.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Action on Board Travel — Mrs. Waugh moved to approve the travel requests and updates. Mrs. Arnold seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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Designation of State Board member to NASBE delegate assembly for 2021 — Mr. McNiece moved to designate Ben Jones as the state's voting delegate and Deena Horst as the alternate for the annual business meeting of the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) in October. Mr. Porter seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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Action on NASBE Membership Dues for 2022 — Mr. Jones moved to approve payment of calendar year 2022 dues and retain membership in NASBE and its affiliate, the National Council of State Education Attorneys. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 10-0. NASBE is the only national membership whose members are solely from state boards of education.

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Discussion on back-to-school reopening guidance — Commissioner Watson commented that last year KSDE issued "Navigating Change" guidance regarding return to school. The law changed in the last legislative session and the authority for such decisions rests with the local school board. The agency is not releasing specific guidance this school year. Local boards of education should consult with their health departments when making decisions. Members voiced concerns that the origin of restrictions on remote learning have not been made clear to the public. The 40-hour limit on remote learning was passed by the Legislature in House Bill 2134. Members also expressed a need to communicate what the State Board's responsibilities are and are not.

Committee Reports — Updates were given on the following:

- Graduation Requirements Task Force — Members are gathering data and background information in preparation for the next meeting Sept. 2. There was no meeting in August.
- School Mental Health Advisory Council — Members are working on necessary language to include in higher education teacher preparation programs addressing recommendations from the Bullying Task Force.
- Advantage Kansas Coordinating Council — Sub-committees are focusing on several strategies to close the gap between the job industry needs and the skills needed to fill positions. Two of the enterprise industries being looked at are computer science and information technology.
- Student Voice Committee — The committee continues to compile information gathered from students at several state conferences, such as Student Council and KAY camp. Board members are encouraged to assist in visiting with student groups, especially to collect input from minorities.
- Communications Committee—The Board's tour to northwest Kansas, which was originally scheduled for September, has been postponed.

Board Attorney's Report — None.

Requests for Future Agenda Items —

- Discussion in September to prioritize focus of the Board's legislative priorities. (Mr. Porter)
- Additional discussion on student screen time and potential for state to prepare best practices. (Mrs. Haas)
- Discuss more ways to communicate to the public what the State Board's responsibilities are and are not. (Mr. Porter and Mrs. Arnold)

RECESS

Chair Porter recessed the meeting at 4:10 p.m. until 9 a.m. Wednesday.

Jim Porter, Chair

Peggy Hill, Secretary

ESSER II Overview and Table of Contents

Plan	DISTRICT PROFILES						KSDE RECOMMENDATIONS					
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1	103	Cheylin	144	145.00	84.00	58%	\$ 162,758	\$ 162,758	100%	\$ 162,758	100%	\$ 1,130
2	106	Western Plains	106	108.00	68.00	63%	\$ 106,989	\$ 106,989	100%	\$ 106,989	100%	\$ 1,009
3	226	Meade	336	343.00	156.00	46%	\$ 195,073	\$ 195,073	100%	\$ 195,073	100%	\$ 581
4	231	Gardner Edgerton	5,687	5746.00	1795.00	31%	\$ 1,705,280	\$ 1,705,280	100%	\$ 1,705,280	100%	\$ 300
5	264	Clearwater	1,090	1106.00	320.00	29%	\$ 428,843	\$ 428,843	100%	\$ 428,843	100%	\$ 393
6	265	Goddard	5,856	6172.00	1372.00	22%	\$ 1,755,749	\$ 1,755,752	100%	\$ 1,755,752	100%	\$ 300
7	321	Kaw Valley	1,039	1063.00	367.00	35%	\$ 580,768	\$ 580,768	100%	\$ 580,768	100%	\$ 559
8	378	Riley County	646	653.00	184.00	28%	\$ 259,994	\$ 259,994	100%	\$ 259,994	100%	\$ 402
9	436	Caney Valley	725	739.00	316.00	43%	\$ 557,599	\$ 557,599	100%	\$ 557,599	100%	\$ 769
10	461	Neodesha	690	708.00	422.00	60%	\$ 598,392	\$ 598,392	100%	\$ 598,392	100%	\$ 868
Total			16,318	16783	5084	30%	\$ 6,351,445	\$ 6,351,448	100%	\$ 6,351,448	100%	\$ 389

1. Includes the number of non-weighted, non-virtual full-time equivalent (FTE) students in the 2020-2021 school year (part-time students are accounted for to the nearest tenth). Students who transitioned to remote learning due to COVID-19 (remote learners) are included in the FTE totals.

2. Reflects the percent of student headcount approved for free or reduced-price lunch in the 2020-2021 school year.

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1	232	De Soto	7,016	7081.00	748.00	11%	\$ 2,103,557	\$ 1,525,071	72%	\$ 1,525,071	100%	\$ 217
2	266	Maize	7,114	7613.00	1641.00	22%	\$ 2,134,675	\$ 2,134,675	100%	\$ 2,134,675	100%	\$ 300
3	314	Brewster	121	134.00	47.00	35%	\$ 58,546	\$ 58,546	100%	\$ 58,546	100%	\$ 484
4	341	Oskaloosa Public Schools	568	587.00	299.00	51%	\$ 362,808	\$ 255,365	70%	\$ 255,365	100%	\$ 450
5	348	Baldwin City	1,267	1290.00	345.00	27%	\$ 438,341	\$ 438,341	100%	\$ 438,341	100%	\$ 346
6	375	Circle	1,894	1926.00	547.00	28%	\$ 717,550	\$ 717,550	100%	\$ 717,550	100%	\$ 379
7	387	Altoona-Midway	163	165.00	112.00	68%	\$ 172,964	\$ 172,964	100%	\$ 172,964	100%	\$ 1,064
8	429	Troy Public Schools	310	313.00	82.00	26%	\$ 123,350	\$ 123,350	100%	\$ 123,350	100%	\$ 398
9	443	Dodge City	6,772	6930.00	5507.00	80%	\$ 4,566,781	\$ 3,791,498	83%	\$ 3,791,498	100%	\$ 560
10	503	Parsons	1,243	1301.00	945.00	73%	\$ 2,075,087	\$ 718,000	35%	\$ 718,000	100%	\$ 578
11	504	Oswego	433	442.00	279.00	63%	\$ 373,104	\$ 373,104	100%	\$ 373,104	100%	\$ 862
Total			26,900	27782	10552	38%	\$ 13,126,763	\$ 10,308,464	79%	\$ 10,308,464	100%	\$ 383

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ESSER II Change Request Overview and Table of Contents

DISTRICT PROFILES					KSDE RECOMMENDATIONS							
Plan	District Number	District Name	Total Public School Students (FTE) ¹	% Students Approved for Free- or Reduced-Price Lunch ²	Total Direct and True Up Allocation	Previously Eligible	% Requested of Total Allocation Previously	Requested Change	Total Change Request Approved	Eligible net change for Task Force Review	% Eligible of Total Requested	Eligible Value Per Student (FTE) ¹
1	248	Girard	976	42%	\$ 690,953	\$ 601,587	87%	\$ 676,599	\$ 676,599	\$ 75,012	98%	\$ 694
2	257	Iola	1,104	56%	\$ 1,350,095	\$ 1,231,080	91%	\$ 1,322,080	\$ 1,322,080	\$ 91,000	98%	\$ 1,198
3	293	Quinter Public Schools	305	29%	\$ 153,397	\$ 153,397	100%	\$ 153,397	\$ 153,397	\$ -	100%	\$ 502
4	299	Sylvan Grove	232	48%	\$ 182,405	\$ 56,201	31%	\$ 106,583	\$ 106,583	\$ 50,382	58%	\$ 460
5	312	Haven Public Schools	690	40%	\$ 494,609	\$ 261,053	53%	\$ 494,609	\$ 494,609	\$ 233,556	100%	\$ 717
6	332	Cunningham	181	37%	\$ 77,193	\$ 77,193	100%	\$ 77,193	\$ 77,193	\$ -	100%	\$ 428
7	346	Jayhawk	555	55%	\$ 435,141	\$ 384,050	88%	\$ 431,940	\$ 431,940	\$ 47,890	99%	\$ 778
8	356	Conway Springs	398	27%	\$ 278,397	\$ 248,397	89%	\$ 278,397	\$ 278,397	\$ 30,000	100%	\$ 699
9	470	Arkansas City	2,674.00	68%	\$ 2,531,321	\$ 896,849	35%	\$ 1,291,849	\$ 1,291,849	\$ 395,000	51%	\$ 483
10	481	Rural Vista	258.50	51%	\$ 241,102	\$ 241,102	100%	\$ 241,102	\$ 241,102	\$ -	100%	\$ 933
11	487	Herington	418.50	62%	\$ 409,256	\$ 409,256	100%	\$ 409,256	\$ 409,256	\$ -	100%	\$ 978
12	509	South Haven	198.10	40%	\$ 100,040	\$ 100,040	100%	\$ 100,040	\$ 100,040	\$ (0)	100%	\$ 505
Total			7,989	53%	\$ 6,943,909	\$ 4,660,205	67%	5,583,046	\$ 5,583,046	\$ 922,841	80%	\$ 699

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Kansas State Board of Education

Wednesday, August 11, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jim Porter called the Wednesday meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 9 a.m. on Aug. 11, 2021.

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ROLL CALL

All Board members were present:

Betty Arnold	Ben Jones
Jean Clifford	Ann Mah
Michelle Dombrosky	Jim McNiece
Melanie Haas	Jim Porter
Deena Horst	Janet Waugh

Deputy Commissioner Dr. Brad Neuenswander attended the meeting in the absence of Commissioner Watson.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA

Chair Porter recommended including a vote on the proposed November State Board meeting dates for 2022. If approved, this action would take place following approval of the agenda. Mrs. Clifford moved to add action on the November 2022 calendar to the agenda as item 3A. Mrs. Arnold seconded. Motion carried 10-0. Dr. Horst moved to approve the agenda as amended. Mrs. Clifford seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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ACTION ON AMENDING NOVEMBER 2022 STATE BOARD MEETING DATES

Mr. Jones moved to temporarily suspend Board practice to allow for a vote this month on amending the November 2022 State Board meeting dates. Dr. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0. Mr. Jones moved to change the November 2022 State Board meeting to the afternoon of Wednesday, Nov. 9 and all day Thursday, Nov. 10 in order to avoid conflicting with election day on Tuesday, Nov. 8. Mrs. Haas seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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DISCUSSION ON ESTABLISHMENT OF STATE BOARD LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR 2022

Deputy Commissioner Dr. Craig Neuenswander shared information on House Bill 2134, which contains language on remote learning and restrictions. The bill defines remote learning and states that a school district may not provide more than 40 hours remote learning to any student. The local board of education, however, can make an exemption for specific circumstances. The State Board must be notified by the district of exempted students. There was discussion about how the public is notified of the procedures and appeal process.

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State Board Legislative Liaisons Deena Horst and Ben Jones then led a discussion of existing and potential issues for the development of State Board legislative priorities. Members considered areas where they have direct responsibility, tone of the document and recommended additions/deletions. They discussed topics that the State Board would support and/or oppose, by general consensus. Members had the chance to comment or offer suggestions as the group worked

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through the draft. Revisions will be brought back to the Board in September for further consideration and to prioritize the list.

Members took a break until 10:45 a.m.

BREAK

INFORMATION ON NATIONAL COUNCIL ON TEACHER QUALITY

The National Council on Teacher Quality (NCTQ) has been a requested agenda topic. Dr. Rick Ginsberg, Dean at the University of Kansas School of Education and Human Sciences, gave an overview of NCTQ that accesses publicly available data to rank teacher preparation programs. However, Dr. Ginsberg noted concerns that the data collected is not considered robust or that faculty are not interviewed in the process. NCTQ is not an accrediting body, but assigns a rating. He answered questions throughout the presentation.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

The next regular meeting is Tuesday, Sept. 14 in the Board Room. The Wednesday, Sept. 15 session is the annual joint meeting with the Kansas Board of Regents at KBOR offices.

POST-MEETING ACTIVITY

Members were offered an optional professional development training on how to use the Zoom interactive meeting platform.

Jim Porter, Chair

Peggy Hill, Secretary