

# MINUTES



Kansas State Board of Education

Tuesday, November 9, 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, Nov. 9, 2021, in the Board Room of the Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas. He noted that American Education Week is Nov. 15-19, which is another opportunity to recognize the dedication of all school employees. He also welcomed student teachers from Baker University who were in attendance and asked them to introduce themselves.

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## ROLL CALL

All Board members were present:

Betty Arnold (virtual attendance)	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. Mrs. Haas seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**MOTION**  
(00:13:26)

## APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Jones moved to approve the minutes of the Oct. 12 and 13 regular Board meeting. Mrs. Clifford seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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## COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Dr. Randy Watson used this time to celebrate the districts working diligently to meet the State Board outcomes and high standards set to measure student success in specific categories. The Kansans Can Star Recognition program recognizes district success in both quantitative and qualitative measures. These serve as the roadmap for Kansans to reach the vision of leading the world in the success of each student. Dr. Watson announced the 2021 awardees, congratulating districts on their merits in one or more areas. The award levels are Gold, Silver, Bronze and Copper. The achievement areas are high school graduation rate, academically prepared for postsecondary, postsecondary success, individual plan of study, social-emotional growth, kindergarten readiness and civic engagement. The Commissioner's Award is given to districts that outperform their predicted postsecondary effectiveness rate in relation to identified risk factors. Southern Lyon County USD 252 was recognized for outstanding achievement in all eight areas.

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**CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM**

Chairman Porter declared the Citizens' Forum open at 10:43 a.m. There was one speaker: Dave Trabert, Kansas Policy Institute — critical race theory, state assessment academic results. Chairman Porter declared the Citizens' Forum closed at 10:48 a.m.

**ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS FOR KANSAS EDUCATION SYSTEMS ACCREDITATION**

Last month, Board members were provided information on two private 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, restating the definitions of each accreditation category. Mr. Jones moved to accept the recommendations of the Accreditation Review Council and award the status of Accredited to St. John Elementary and the status of Conditionally Accredited to Annoor Islamic. Dr. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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**RECEIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR KANSAS EDUCATION SYSTEMS ACCREDITATION**

The Accreditation Review Council (ARC) has recommended an accreditation status for the next three systems awaiting a recommendation. Dr. Mischel Miller referenced the informational findings of the ARC regarding these systems and any identified areas of improvement. Systems have the opportunity to appeal the ARC decision. Executive summaries, accountability reports and other narratives were provided to Board members for St. Agnes Elementary and Holy Spirit Catholic, both of the Kansas City Catholic Diocese, and USD 381 Spearville. 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 December.

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**ACTION ON ESSER II AND EANS II EXPENDITURE PLANS FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SYSTEMS**

Assistant Director Doug Boline provided an ESSER II update and profiled the day's new applications. He relayed the Task Force recommendations for the current expenditure plans and change requests. Many of the district plans this month were from small systems. The deadline is nearing for systems to submit their initial plans. So far, the Task Force and State Board have approved 243 of the 286 public school district plans. Mr. Jones moved to accept the recommendations of the Commissioner's Task Force on ESSER and EANS Distribution of Money and approve the submission of public school district expenditure plans for ESSER II federal COVID-19 relief funds as presented. Mr. McNiece seconded. Motion carried 9-0-1 with Mrs. Dombrosky abstaining.

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Next, Assistant Director Tate Toedman gave an update on EANS II funding that provides emergency federal relief to private systems. Mr. Toedman stated that the US Department of Education approved the state's request to allow systems to qualify for EANS II at the 20 percent poverty threshold. The Task Force also relooked at expenditure items previously deemed ineligible, and after further review approved the majority as eligible. Dr. Horst moved to accept the recommendations of the Commissioner's Task Force on ESSER and EANS Distribution of Money and approve the submission of private school expenditure plans for EANS II federal COVID-19 relief funds as presented. Mr. Jones seconded. Motion carried 9-0-1 with Mrs. Dombrosky abstaining.

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**OVERVIEW OF ESSER III**

Deputy Commissioner Brad Neuenswander and Assistant Director Doug Boline provided an overview of the next phase of federal emergency relief funds, referred to as ESSER III. The first levels of aid through the CARES Act were announced in March 2020. Speakers covered the timeline, which includes a Sept. 20 deadline for districts to apply or request an application extension. Allowable uses do not change within ESSER III, but there are additional requirements for addressing learning loss and engaging stakeholders. Dr. Neuenswander commented on the initiatives

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supported by the state's ESSER III set-aside funds. These include LETRS science of reading training, creation of a math training program, focus on assessment literacy, use of HirePaths to benefit students and parents with postsecondary considerations, and implementation of the Kansas Teaching and Leading Project.

Members took a break until 11:25 a.m.

**BREAK**

**HEARING UNDER THE KANSAS ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT FOR CASE 21-PPC-01**

Chairman Porter recessed the open meeting so members could convene a hearing under the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act for case 21-PPC-01. Last month, State Board members granted the request for parties to provide oral arguments regarding the case. Board members had access to all exhibits, documentation and a video of the Professional Practices Commission hearing on this case. KSDE General Counsel Scott Gordon and Licensee's Counsel Kimberly Streit Vogelsberg were allowed 15 minutes each to address the Board. PPC Chair Jennifer Holt participated remotely to answer questions from Board members. Mr. Gordon used a portion of his allotted time for rebuttal. At the conclusion, Chairman Porter recessed the hearing. Deliberations were scheduled for later in the afternoon.

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There was a lunch break until 1:30 p.m.

**LUNCH**

**PRESENTATION FROM MISS KANSAS 2021 TAYLOR CLARK**

Chairman Porter reconvened the meeting at 1:30 p.m. and welcomed the reigning Miss Kansas Taylor Clark. Miss Clark of St. John, Kansas, is a senior at Kansas State University majoring in Music Education. Her social impact initiative is *Sound for Common Ground: Music Connects*, which she promotes during school visits and with other organizations. She spoke about the positive influences music has had in her life. Miss Clark also told members how she became involved in the Miss Kansas Organization, citing experiences with mentoring, community service and scholarship opportunities. During her year of service, she has been working with different groups to expand in-kind scholarship programs to state schools and to promote seatbelts/safe driving.

**P.M. SESSION**  
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**RECOGNITION OF CONFIDENCE IN KANSAS PUBLIC EDUCATION'S ABC AWARD RECIPIENT**

Janet Waugh, who is the State Board representative on the Confidence in Kansas Public Education Task Force, summarized the Task Force's purpose and activities. The Task Force represents eight organizations, including the State Board of Education. Each year, the Task Force presents the ABC Award to an individual or organization that has provided a long-term contribution, had a significant impact, or demonstrated uncommon commitment to public education across the state. Task Force Chair G.A. Buie announced the unanimous choice for the 2021 recipient of the ABC Award as Secretary Dr. Lee Norman, Kansas Department of Health and Environment, for his work to support Kansas schools throughout the pandemic and to provide sound public policy advice for the well-being of students, staff and teachers. Dr. Norman accepted the award and shared brief remarks in appreciation of receiving this honor.

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**ACTION ON HIGHER ED. PREPARATION PROGRAM STANDARDS FOR DEAF/HARD OF HEARING**

Dr. Catherine Chmidling, KSDE Education Program Consultant, introduced committee co-chairs Joan Macy and Dr. Sally Roberts who led work to create new and revised educator preparation program standards for Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Birth to Grade 3 and PreK-12. These standards will provide the initial steps for institutions of higher education to design a preparation program for educators and to offer an endorsement in deaf education. There were questions about the potential timeline for completion. Mrs. Dombrosky moved to approve the new educator preparation program standards for Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Birth through Third grade, PreK-12. Dr. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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### **QUARTERLY UPDATE FROM SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL**

KSDE Director of Special Education and Title Services Bert Moore and SEAC Chair Jennifer King provided the quarterly update to members about work of 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. In the presentation, Mr. Moore reviewed each of the 17 indicators outlined within the state performance plan and annual performance report. He also went over the 2019 results of Kansas' performance, noting specific targets. Ms. King then highlighted activity from the September SEAC meeting, including a review and discussion of the state performance plan as well as graduation data. Members asked about pandemic disruptions, recovery services, special education teacher shortages and transition services.

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Members took a break until 3 p.m.

**BREAK**

### **LEGISLATIVE MATTERS—INTERIM COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Deputy Commissioner Dr. Craig Neuenswander reported on some of the legislative interim committees that have met before the 2022 Legislative session begins. He reported on the Legislative Budget Committee, which received a staff update on ESSER spending. There was also the Special Committee on Kansas Mental Health Modernization and Reform. KSDE shared information on the school mental health pilot program and its 55 district participants. Three school districts presented to the committee about their mental health services. There will be a Special Committee on Education, anticipated to meet Nov. 30 and Dec. 1.

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### **ACTION ON STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGISLATIVE POSITIONS**

The Kansas State Board of Education develops education-related legislative priorities to help identify the Board's position, by general consensus, on topics impacting K-12 schools. The State Board's Legislative Liaisons Deena Horst and Ben Jones led the discussion. The final version was presented, with minor edits and the addition of a concluding paragraph. Members examined each bullet point, identifying which ones had unanimous Board support and which had majority approval. Mr. McNiece moved that the legislative positions for the Kansas State Board of Education as amended be adopted for the 2022 session, with the exception of a transportation funding formula. (This bullet point would be voted on the next day). Mrs. Haas seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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Chair Porter led discussion as a follow-up to the October meeting with legislative leadership. Members offered suggestions for expanding communication with legislators, addressing issues individually, building relationships and clarifying misinformation.

### **ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA**

Dr. Horst moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Jones seconded. Motion carried 10-0. In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

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- received the monthly Personnel Report for October.
- confirmed the unclassified personnel appointments of Ron Gish as Special Investigator on the General Counsel team, effective Oct. 3, 2021, at an annual salary of \$53,040; Amy Rzaczyński as Education Program Consultant on the Special Education and Title Services team, effective Oct. 18, 2021, at an annual salary of \$56,118.40; Matthew Hrabec as auditor on the Fiscal Auditing team, effective Oct. 31, 2021, at an annual salary of \$43,992.
- approved issuing Visiting Scholar licenses, valid for the 2021-22 school year, to Marjorie Holloway, renewal for Blue Valley USD 229 Center for Advanced Professional Studies program, and to Carson Norton, renewal for Wichita County USD 467.

- accepted recommendations of the Licensure Review Committee as follows: *Approved cases:* 3404, 3405 (PreK-12 art), 3411, 3412, 3400, 3403, 3416, 3417, 3418, 3419, 3420, 3421, 3422, 3423. *Non-approved:* 3405 (elementary K-6 initial).
- accepted the following recommendations for licensure waivers valid for one school year:  
*Deaf or Hard of Hearing* -- Nicole Sullivan, USD 259; Olivia Fellhoelter, D0602. *Early Childhood Special Education* -- Paige Meek, USD 330; Jessica Weishaar, Stephanie Davies, USD 345; Ali Stohs, USD 364; Denise Koelzer, Joan Donovan-Thomas, USD 372; Christina Harrison, USD 389; Melissa Keuchel-Edmonds, Sharon Wilkes, USD 458; Helen Woolsey, D0720; Kadra Boulware, D0729. *English as a Second Language* -- Jessica Vogt, USD 259. *Gifted* -- Erika Roberts, USD 259; Christina Nay, USD 305; Miranda Luke, USD 321; Timothy Warsnak, USD 373; Keri Duree, USD 418; Amie Avery, USD 458; Drew Darmon, Jaclynn Williams, USD 497; Amy Freeman, Barbara Concannon, Susanna Yust, D0611; Hillary Ruple, D0638; Hannah Wince, D0708; Melissa George, D0720; Andrew Mosby, Julie Meinhardt, D0724; Malinda Bender, D0727; Chaniece Johnson, D0729. *High Incidence Special Education* -- Hannah Sanders, USD 115; Amber Nichols, USD 231; Heather Brown, Janet Ralston, Joanne Fluker, Amanda Cook, Britney Purdom, Estrela Watkins, Janet Tull, Jessica Holdt, Kaitlyn Bumgarner, Marsha Geer, Robert Tinker, Renee Conway, USD 259; Alicia Thompson, Lacey Browning, April Halcomb, Audrey Allen, USD 260; Bethany Craig, Kimberly Hicks, USD 261; Rebecca Kuntz, USD 290; Angela Mitchell, Mackenzie Forbes, Marissa Waddel, Richelle Ross, USD 305; Mandy Saxton, USD 336; Konner Patterson, USD 345; William Cauble, Megan Blacketer, USD 364; Amber Rizzo, Corbin Berner, Jacquelyn Seirer, Xavier Madrigal, USD 373; Jacob Mischlich, Richard Carlson, Tiffany Harms, Christine Warren, USD 383; Carlin Smith, USD 437; Alex Raines, Jessica Schasteen, USD 450; Katie Manthe, USD 458; Madelyn Lewis, USD 464; Lindsay Bange, Kassandra Dunlap, Stephanie Lukens, Abby Vest, Angela Martinez, Brenda Eckart, Emilia Mendiola-Walsh, USD 475; Amanda Johnson, USD 495; Michelle Brady, USD 497; Brandy Hempen, USD 500; Erica Mason, Alicia Schoenberger, Jaime Snyder, USD 501; Melissa McBrayer, Suzanne Snell, Mary Paris, Jodi Miller, Kasey Orlik, Kimberly Taylor, Melissa Calvin, Shelda Goodwin, Twyla Lomen, USD 512; Courtney Berning, Kimberly Davis, Colby Soldan, D0602; Debra Glass, Naomi Cartmell, Xavier Hoover, D0610; Abigail Clemmons, Courtney Harwager, Jana Werner, Makala Leichtenberg, Priscilla Hollingsworth, Shelley Gaddis, Tonya Alm, D0611; Kyndra Friend, Sam Austin, Autumn Biltz, Emily Dizmang, Kylie Cherry, Ryan Marcum, D0613; Tyler Buche, Tonya Eastman, Nancy Robinson, Cassandra Clark, Jess Lewis, Richard Smith, D0620; Carissa Browman, D0629; Kristi Visor, Samantha Mattingly, Hannah Mason, D0638; Peyton Harris, Reece Petty, Tina Vitztum, D0708; Blain Ohlmeier, Jordan Hall, Jessea Chapman, Noah Scott, D0720; Shannon Leitch, Justin Smith, Heather Niehues, Kaylee Suhr, D0724; Cameron Peak, Ronald Sarnacki, Sabrina Madison, Lorie Schaller, D0727; Haylee VanCuran, Lee Baldwin, Hannah Eyhorn, Melissa Smith, Tammy Cook, D0728; Melissa May, Christina Brenneman, Daniel Heath, Katherine Hobert, Sara Kinsey, Brittany Merrell, D0729. *Library Media Specialist* -- Amber Waterbury, Charity Carter, Erin Pelz, Jessica Schmidt, Kelly Cotton, Krista Schrag, Leah Wipf, Rachael Johnson, Rebecca Janssen, Trisha McKenney, USD 259; Tracy Meinzer, USD 457; Melissa Molteni, Abbi Peoples, Laura Moore, USD 512. *Low Incidence Special Education* -- Hannah Leonard, USD 103; Adam Jilka, Ali Wagner, Bregail Evans, Alexander Kimmel, Amy Woodard, Emilie Kennedy-Ternes, Gregory Lies, Jessica Aaby, Korina O'Connor, Shanda Jones, Shara Splichal, Stacy Satterfield, USD 259; Jenny Beenken, USD 260; Ashley Forbes, USD 373; Reagan Hill, USD 457; Seth Swartzendruber, USD 497; Natalie Heins, USD 512; Amity Ihrig, D0602; Tessa Hiatt, D0613; Sarah Warren, Cami Kingsley, D0727; Hannah Kenney, D0728; Cassie Woodard, Ginny Nickel, Sara Gilchrist, D0729. *Math* -- Jarred Gaskill, USD 259. *Visual Impaired* -- Heidi McCready, USD 305; Josephine Riley, USD 501.
- approved recommendations for funding the ESSER III Before and After School grants in an

amount not to exceed \$2,200,000 for the period July 1, 2021 through Sept. 30, 2024 as follows: USD 218 Elkhart \$300,000, USD 252 Southern Lyon \$300,000, USD 396 Douglass \$45,018, USD 462 Central \$249,201, USD 480 Liberal \$300,000, USD 491 Eudora \$305,036, USD 498 Valley Heights \$85,095, Boys and Girls Club of Hutchinson \$128,160, Boys and Girls Club of Topeka \$225,000, Cherry Street Youth Center \$54,834, Reading Roadmap Inc. \$65,264.

- approved the 2022 Kansas Volunteer Generation Fund subgrantees as recommended by the Kansas Volunteer Commission with the following award amounts: Barton County College \$20,000, CASA of Johnson and Wyandotte counties \$20,000, CASA of the 17th Judicial District \$15,000, Cross-Lines Community Outreach \$15,395, Douglas County CASA \$17,000, Elizabeth B. Ballard Center \$15,000, Flint Hills Volunteer Center \$20,000, Peace Connections \$15,020, Rosedale Development Assoc. \$20,000, United Way of Douglas County \$15,000, United Way of Greater Topeka \$19,861, Willow Domestic Violence Center \$15,000, Youth Horizons \$20,000.
- approved issuance of a license to the Kansas Driver Training School Police Athletic League of KCK, Kansas City, Kansas, for the period Nov. 9, 2021 to Dec. 31, 2021.
- authorized USD 250 Pittsburg, Crawford County, to hold an election on the question of issuing bonds in excess of the district's general bond debt limitation.
- authorized USD 250 Pittsburg, Crawford County, to receive capital improvement (bond and interest) state aid as authorized by law.

*authorized the Commissioner of Education to negotiate and*

- amend the contract with Southeast Kansas Education Service Center—Greenbush to increase the current contract by an amount not to exceed \$450,000 through Sept. 30, 2024 for the purpose of teacher recruitment and retention initiatives.

Members took a short break.

**BREAK**

**DELIBERATIONS UNDER THE KANSAS ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT**

At 4:45 p.m., Chairman Porter recessed the open meeting in order to reconvene the quasi-judicial functions of the State Board subject to the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act and enter into deliberations regarding 21-PPC-01. Board Attorney Mark Ferguson and Commissioner Dr. Randy Watson were invited to participate.

Board members returned to open session at 5:30 p.m.

**ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION**

Oral arguments were heard earlier in the day from the complainant and respondent regarding case 21-PPC-01. Deliberations followed in the afternoon. Mrs. Haas moved to revoke the license in case 21-PPC-01. Mr. Jones seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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**RECESS**

The meeting recessed at 5:31 p.m. until 9 a.m. Wednesday.

**RECESS**

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Jim Porter, Chair

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Peggy Hill, Secretary

## ESSER II Overview and Table of Contents

DISTRICT PROFILES					KSDE RECOMMENDATIONS					
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1	110	Thunder Ridge Schools	179	57%	\$ 190,163	\$ 190,163	100%	\$ 190,163	100%	\$ 1,065
2	225	Fowler	124	42%	\$ 79,232	\$ 79,232	100%	\$ 79,232	100%	\$ 642
3	254	Barber County North	430	47%	\$ 346,676	\$ 235,709	68%	\$ 235,709	100%	\$ 548
4	283	Elk Valley	112	78%	\$ 173,303	\$ 173,303	100%	\$ 173,303	100%	\$ 1,543
5	289	Wellsville	724	29%	\$ 222,243	\$ 222,243	100%	\$ 222,243	100%	\$ 307
6	307	Ell-Saline	463	30%	\$ 187,379	\$ 187,379	100%	\$ 187,379	100%	\$ 405
7	335	North Jackson	305	41%	\$ 195,499	\$ 195,499	100%	\$ 195,499	100%	\$ 641
8	407	Russell County	807	55%	\$ 622,856	\$ 622,856	100%	\$ 622,856	100%	\$ 772
9	490	El Dorado	1,823	58%	\$ 1,500,447	\$ 1,500,447	100%	\$ 1,500,447	100%	\$ 823
<b>Total</b>			<b>4,965</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>\$ 3,517,798</b>	<b>\$ 3,406,831</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>\$ 3,406,831</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 686</b>

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.

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1	210	Hugoton Public Schools	997	62%	\$ 717,181	\$ 717,181	100%	\$ 717,181	100%	\$ 720	
2	227	Hodgeman County Schools	295	38%	\$ 137,553	\$ 82,356	60%	\$ 82,356	100%	\$ 279	
3	237	Smith Center	398	45%	\$ 292,151	\$ 217,834	75%	\$ 205,834	94%	\$ 517	
4	245	LeRoy-Gridley	170	63%	\$ 119,691	\$ 119,691	100%	\$ 119,691	100%	\$ 704	
5	269	Palco	88	48%	\$ 70,445	\$ 69,576	99%	\$ 69,576	100%	\$ 795	
6	270	Plainville	339	41%	\$ 187,902	\$ 187,902	100%	\$ 187,902	100%	\$ 555	
7	275	Triplains	66	40%	\$ 51,925	\$ 51,925	100%	\$ 51,925	100%	\$ 787	
8	339	Jefferson County North	433	32%	\$ 138,217	\$ 138,217	100%	\$ 138,217	100%	\$ 320	
9	347	Kinsley-Offerle	276	50%	\$ 211,956	\$ 211,956	100%	\$ 211,956	100%	\$ 768	
10	369	Burrton	195	55%	\$ 165,045	\$ 165,045	100%	\$ 165,045	100%	\$ 849	
11	376	Sterling	482	40%	\$ 240,669	\$ 240,003	100%	\$ 240,003	100%	\$ 498	
12	401	Chase-Raymond	149	78%	\$ 197,729	\$ 176,729	89%	\$ 176,729	100%	\$ 1,186	
13	421	Lyndon	389	36%	\$ 200,989	\$ 200,989	100%	\$ 200,989	100%	\$ 517	
14	432	Victoria	273	30%	\$ 81,744	\$ 81,744	100%	\$ 81,744	100%	\$ 300	
15	440	Halstead	778	41%	\$ 424,721	\$ 420,481	99%	\$ 420,481	100%	\$ 541	
16	449	Easton	625	26%	\$ 187,652	\$ 187,652	100%	\$ 187,652	100%	\$ 300	
17	474	Haviland	100	43%	\$ 90,327	\$ 90,327	100%	\$ 90,327	100%	\$ 903	
18	482	Dighton	224	45%	\$ 123,809	\$ 123,809	100%	\$ 123,809	100%	\$ 553	
19	484	Fredonia	618	51%	\$ 598,221	\$ 446,043	75%	\$ 446,043	100%	\$ 722	
20	511	Attica	163	54%	\$ 109,475	\$ 109,475	100%	\$ 109,475	100%	\$ 674	
<b>Total</b>			<b>7,054</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>\$ 4,347,402</b>	<b>\$ 4,038,935</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>\$ 4,026,935</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 571</b>	

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

## ESSER II Change Request Overview and Table of Contents

Plan	DISTRICT PROFILES				KSDE RECOMMENDATIONS							
	District Number	District Name	Total Public School Students (FTE) <sup>1</sup>	% Students Approved for Free- or Reduced-Price Lunch <sup>2</sup>	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) <sup>1</sup>
1	101	Erie-Galesburg	427	54%	\$ 601,062	\$ 601,062	100%	\$ 601,062	\$ 601,062	\$ -	100%	\$ 1,409
2	111	Doniphan West Schools	293	30%	\$ 186,406	\$ 179,300	96%	\$ 186,406	\$ 186,406	\$ 7,106	100%	\$ 637
3	214	Ulysses	1,522	64%	\$ 1,091,201	\$ 133,010	12%	\$ 1,091,201	\$ 1,091,201	\$ 958,191	100%	\$ 717
4	256	Marmaton Valley	236	45%	\$ 220,083	\$ 209,900	95%	\$ 220,083	\$ 220,083	\$ 10,183	100%	\$ 933
5	257	Iola	1,104	56%	\$ 1,350,095	\$ 1,322,080	98%	\$ 1,350,095	\$ 1,350,095	\$ 28,015	100%	\$ 1,223
6	258	Humboldt	550	36%	\$ 419,308	\$ 268,668	64%	\$ 203,350	\$ 203,350	\$ (65,318)	48%	\$ 370
7	325	Phillipsburg	580	38%	\$ 317,916	\$ 317,916	100%	\$ 317,916	\$ 317,916	\$ -	100%	\$ 549
8	338	Valley Falls	380	36%	\$ 134,927	\$ 43,259	32%	\$ 134,925	\$ 134,925	\$ 91,666	100%	\$ 355
9	343	Perry Public Schools	728	35%	\$ 324,882	\$ 303,577	93%	\$ 209,288	\$ 209,288	\$ (94,289)	64%	\$ 287
10	364	Marysville	747	48%	\$ 504,336	\$ 461,573	92%	\$ 427,213	\$ 427,213	\$ (34,360)	85%	\$ 572
11	365	Garnett	923	50%	\$ 717,952	\$ 717,952	100%	\$ 717,952	\$ 717,952	\$ -	100%	\$ 778
12	396	Douglass Public Schools	616	36%	\$ 255,440	\$ 251,916	99%	\$ 219,943	\$ 219,943	\$ (31,973)	86%	\$ 357
13	415	Hiawatha	938	48%	\$ 750,300	\$ 289,625	39%	\$ 750,300	\$ 750,300	\$ 460,675	100%	\$ 800
14	419	Canton-Galva	295	39%	\$ 142,792	\$ 142,792	100%	\$ 142,792	\$ 142,792	\$ -	100%	\$ 484
15	467	Leoti	395	49%	\$ 260,823	\$ 126,827	49%	\$ 260,823	\$ 260,823	\$ 133,996	100%	\$ 660
16	489	Hays	3,081	38%	\$ 1,635,951	\$ 1,635,951	100%	\$ 1,635,951	\$ 1,635,951	\$ -	100%	\$ 531
17	497	Lawrence	9,992	31%	\$ 6,039,481	\$ 6,039,481	100%	\$ 6,039,481	\$ 6,039,481	\$ -	100%	\$ 604
<b>Total</b>			<b>22,804</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>\$ 14,952,955</b>	<b>\$ 13,044,889</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>14,508,781</b>	<b>\$ 14,508,781</b>	<b>\$ 1,463,892</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>\$ 636</b>

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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) <sup>1</sup>	% Students Approved for Free- or Reduced-Price Lunch <sup>2</sup>	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) <sup>1</sup>
1	204	Bonner Springs	2,528	45%	\$ 1,727,348	\$ 1,727,348	100%	\$ 1,727,348	\$ 1,727,348	\$ -	100%	\$ 683
2	249	Frontenac Public Schools	932	38%	\$ 414,589	\$ 382,012	92%	\$ 414,589	\$ 414,589	\$ 32,577	100%	\$ 445
3	393	Solomon	358	55%	\$ 183,009	\$ 102,970	56%	\$ 183,009	\$ 183,009	\$ 80,039	100%	\$ 512
4	411	Goessel	284	27%	\$ 88,080	\$ 14,625	17%	\$ 88,080	\$ 88,080	\$ 73,455	100%	\$ 311
5	503	Parsons	1,243	73%	\$ 2,075,087	\$ 718,000	35%	\$ 2,075,087	\$ 2,075,087	\$ 1,357,087	100%	\$ 1,670
6	506	Labette County	1,440	59%	\$ 1,298,287	\$ 1,298,287	100%	\$ 1,298,287	\$ 1,298,287	\$ -	100%	\$ 902
<b>Total</b>			<b>6,783</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>\$ 5,786,400</b>	<b>\$ 4,243,242</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>5,786,400</b>	<b>\$ 5,786,400</b>	<b>\$ 1,543,158</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 853</b>

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# MINUTES



Kansas State Board of Education  
Wednesday, November 10, 2021

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jim Porter called the Wednesday meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 9 a.m. on Nov. 10, 2021.

(00:08:50)

## ROLL CALL

All Board members were present:

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

## APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA

Chairman Porter added to the agenda one carryover action item from the previous day regarding the Board's legislative positions. This will occur during Committee Reports as 6 b. Dr. Horst moved to approve the day's agenda as amended. Mr. Jones seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**MOTION**  
(00:09:26)

## KANSANS CAN HIGHLIGHT — CIVIC ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION OF SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

Civic engagement is one component of the State Board's definition of a successful Kansas high school graduate. Board members heard from school districts recognized for their initiatives to engage students in their communities and schools through special projects, both in and out of the classroom. Students and school personnel described civic engagement examples at Atchison County USD 377 (the meaning of civic advocacy, veterans day program, opportunity to boost community morale); South Barber USD 255 (hands-on approach to civic engagement, student ex-officio member on local school board, democratic simulations); South Lyon USD 252 (full year of government, mock elections, leadership and civic engagement course).

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Another example of civic engagement is participation in the Kansas Honor Flight program. The Honor Flight program pairs high school student guardians with veterans to tour the memorials in Washington D.C. dedicated to those in the armed services. Veterans, students and staff involved in three districts with Honor Flight programs spoke about the experience to connect across generations, learn real-world experiences first-hand, and develop relationships with veterans in their communities. Those presenting were from South Lyon USD 252, North Jackson USD 335 and Wamego USD 320.

Members took a 10-minute break.

**BREAK**

## CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM UPDATE

Cheryl Johnson, KSDE's Director of Child Nutrition and Wellness, led an overview of many current activities within the CNW program. Among these are administering and monitoring millions in

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USDA grants, providing training and technical assistance, and streamlining practices to deal with supply chain disruptions. CNW staff members described professional development and trainings such as how to cross utilize ingredients, incorporate farm to table local foods, identify the correlation between mental health and nutrition, and manage challenges with staffing. They also pre-viewed a newly developed online Free and Reduced Price meal application as an alternative to the paper form.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**Action on Board Travel** — Mr. McNiece moved to approve the travel requests and updates. Mr. Porter seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**MOTION**  
(02:07:44)

**Committee Reports** — Updates were given on the following:

- Advantage Kansas (Mrs. Mah, Mrs. Clifford) — Possibility of growing student apprenticeships, efforts to inform parents of vocational and technical career fields.
- Student Voice (Mrs. Mah) — Members attended the regional Educators Rising Conference in Olathe and the TSA meeting in Wichita.
- Legislative Liaisons (Dr. Horst, Mr. Jones) — Potential dates of special session and special committee on education.

#### **ACTION ON LEGISLATIVE POSITIONS—CARRYOVER ITEM**

Mr. McNiece moved to edit the State Board's Legislative Positions by updating the bullet point on transportation to read, "is supportive of funding transportation of students in all unsafe situations, regardless of mileage." Dr. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0. (The remainder of the Legislative Positions were approved on Tuesday).

**MOTION**  
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**Board Attorney's Report** — Mark Ferguson provided an update on pending or current litigation. He also offered to ask questions about his monthly report.

#### **Requests for Future Agenda Items —**

- Make assignments for visiting with legislators about specific items on the Legislative Positions list. (Mrs. Mah)
- Update on History/Government/Social Studies assessments' format change and information on the scoring rubric. (Mrs. Mah)
- Discussion about shortage of classified employees in school systems. Examine ways to honor classified employees. (Mr. Jones and Mrs. Waugh)
- Discussion on assisting with mental health needs of all school staff and improving morale. (Mrs. Waugh and Dr. Horst)
- Update from the Kansas School for the Deaf Task Force for Deaf/Hard of Hearing programs. (Mrs. Dombrosky)
- Discussion on reducing barriers to allow parents to help in the schools. (Mrs. Dombrosky)
- Public conversation regarding Critical Race Theory criticisms and to directly address concerns with evidence. (Mr. McNiece)
- Presentation on assessment levels for student academic achievement, particularly what constitutes proficient or not proficient. (Mrs. Arnold)
- Report on mental health initiatives/outreach and if efforts are effective. (Mrs. Arnold)
- Discussion on how to deal with school fights and concerns that violence stems from mental health issues. (Mrs. Arnold)
- Update on Commissioner's Parent Advisory Council. (Mrs. Dombrosky)

Chair Porter commented on the KASB panel in which State Board members participated in Overland Park as part of the KASB annual convention.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mrs. Waugh moved to recess into Executive Session to discuss the subject of an individual employee's performance, which is justified pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, in order to protect the privacy interest of the individual(s) to be discussed. The session would begin at 11:45 a.m. for 25 minutes and the open session would resume in the Board Room at 12:10 p.m. No action would be taken during the session. Dr. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

**MOTION**  
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Members returned to open session at 12:10 p.m. Chairman Porter immediately adjourned the meeting.

**ADJOURN**

The next regular meeting for the State Board of Education is Dec. 14 and 15.

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Jim Porter, Chair

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Peggy Hill, Secretary