

MINUTES

Commissioner's Task Force on ESSER II and EANS Distribution of Money

Friday, June 4, 2021



Call to Order

(00:03:43)

Chairman Porter called the weekly meeting of the Commissioner's Task Force to order at 3:00p.m. on Friday, June 4th.

The meeting was conducted via video conference and was live streamed for the public to observe and listen.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION
(00:04:18)

Melissa Rooker made a motion to approve the agenda for the June 4th meeting, and Adam Proffitt had seconded it. Motion carried (14-0). Jamie Rumford, Alicia Thompson, Tracy Callard, Jason Winbolt, and Brad Bergsma were not present at this meeting, and did not vote on this motion.

Attendance:

The following Task Force members attended by video conference:

Jim Porter	Frank Harwood
Janet Waugh	Melissa Rooker
Pat Pettey	Mike Argabright
Brenda Dietrich	Janet Eaton
Adam Thomas	Adam Proffitt
Simeon Russell	Nick Compagnone
Lisa Peters	Roberta Lewis

Approval of May 21st Meeting Minutes

MOTION
(00:04:42)

Adam Thomas made a motion to approve of the May 21st minutes, and Bert Lewis had seconded it. Motion carried (14-0). Jamie Rumford, Alicia Thompson, Tracy Callard, Jason Winbolt, and Brad Bergsma were not present at this meeting, and did not vote on this motion.

ESSERII: Application Status Update– Doug Boline

(00:06:47)

Doug started the meeting off by stating that the KSDE review team has received 155 out of 286 ESSER II plans; 60+ ESSER II plans currently in progress as of June 3rd at 6:00 p.m. (CST). After today's task force meeting (if all ESSER II plans are recommended by the task force), it will bring the total amount of ESSER II plans to be presented to the State Board of Education to 76 (42 from today and 34 from previous TF batch). Also included in today's batch will be change requests from USD 290 Ottawa, USD 343 Perry Lecompton, USD 396 Douglass, and USD 405 Lyons.

Doug mentioned that 32 percent of the total ESSER II allocation (\$108 million) has been reviewed to date (as of June 3rd at 6:00 p.m.).

ESSERII: Summary and Discussion of Requests Deemed Eligible by KSDE– Doug Boline

(00:11:09)

Doug stated that the 42 districts represented in today's batch have requested \$58.9 million total. The average eligible expenditures (requested) per district range (for this batch) from \$30,000 to \$8.53 million; average amount per district is \$1.14 million. The eligible planned expenditures (for this batch) per student range from \$42 to \$1,090; average amount is \$467.

ESSERII: Discussion of Change Requests Deemed Eligible by KSDE– Doug Boline

(00:13:00)

The KSDE review team has received change requests from USD 290 Ottawa, USD 343 Perry Lecompton, USD 396 Douglass, and USD 405 Lyons. The specific change requests include the following:

- USD 290 Ottawa - \$100K; Repurposed funds from additional pay to use for PD, personnel, and educational technology.
- USD 343 Perry Lecompton - \$62K; Two additional personnel to continue coordination efforts.
- USD 396 Douglass - \$70K; Reduced cost of salaries to include two additional paraprofessionals
- USD 405 Lyons - \$0; Reduced cost of salaries to include an additional paraprofessional.

If the Task Force approves of the change requests listed above, there will be a net decrease of \$107K.

ESSER II: Vote to Recommend Slate to Kansas State Board of Education – Doug Boline

(00:18:44)

Adam Thomas made a motion to approve the 76 ESSER II applications (includes 34 reviewed in last week's batch), and 4 ESSER II change requests (as presented) and Mike Argabright had seconded it. Motion carried (14-0). Jamie Rumford, Alicia Thompson, Tracy Callard, Jason Winbolt, and Brad Bergsma were not present at this meeting, and did not vote on this motion.

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ESSER II: Introduction of Change Request Process Moving Forward – Doug Boline

(00:22:34)

Doug proposed a new approach to ESSER II change requests which stated if a district has minor adjustments to cost/quantity for expenditures that are consistent with the intent of the original requests approved, then the change should not require additional approval beyond the KSDE review team. Also stated in Doug's proposal is, new requests that substantially change the overall intent of the district plan should require a new narrative submission detailing the new intent of the ESSER II plan.

Frank Harwood made a motion to approve of the new ESSER II change request process as presented and Bert Lewis had seconded it. Motion carried (14-0). Jamie Rumford, Alicia Thompson, Tracy Callard, Jason Winbolt, and Brad Bergsma were not present at this meeting, and did not vote on this motion.

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Next Steps and Schedule for Future Task Force Meetings – Doug Boline

(00:34:54)

Doug recommended that the Task Force meet monthly in the future, with mid-month pre-read, and regular pre-read meeting material to be sent out to the Task Force. The monthly meetings will start as of today, and the frequency in which they will meet may change slightly in September due to the EANS II application deadline. Chairman Porter stated that the Task Force will need to meet as needed.

ADJOURNMENT - Chairman Porter adjourned the meeting at 3:32 p.m. The next meeting will occur on Friday, July 9th at 3:00 p.m.

(00:37:00)