

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2018****CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Jim Porter called the monthly meeting of the Kansas State Board of Education to order at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2018, in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas. He welcomed guests and acknowledged that February is Black History Month. He also thanked Board members for attending the morning panel discussion and breakfast hosted by the Kansas Association of Independent and Religious Schools.

**2/13/2018
A.M. Session
(00:00:07)**

ROLL CALL

All Board members were present:

John Bacon	Jim McNiece
Kathy Busch	Jim Porter
Sally Cauble	Steve Roberts
Deena Horst	Janet Waugh
Ann Mah	Ken Willard

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 AMENDED AGENDA

Chairman Porter announced the addition of Item 6 a. for possible action on specific recommendations from the Commissioner. Mr. Roberts requested the addition of a discussion on race discrimination. The amendments were acted on separately and in reverse order. Mrs. Mah seconded Mr. Roberts' request to amend the agenda and it was approved 6-4 with Mr. McNiece, Mrs. Busch, Mrs. Cauble and Mrs. Waugh in opposition. Mrs. Busch moved to add Item 6 a. to the agenda. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Mr. McNiece moved to approve the minutes of the Jan. 9 and 10 regular Board meeting and the minutes of the Jan. 26 special Board meeting. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

In his monthly report, Commissioner Watson responded to a directive from the State Board last month to provide recommendations for a process that ensured accuracy and transparency in the distribution of state funds to school districts. He provided information on state and federal audits routinely conducted for accuracy and compliance. Dr. Watson announced to the Board that he is directing the Kansas State Department of Education to fully comply with the recommendations given by the Kansas Legislative Post Audit in their report evaluating K-12 transportation services funding. He then presented specific actions moving forward, which were approved in two separate motions.

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Mr. Willard moved that the Kansas State Board of Education direct Commissioner Randy Watson to seek a qualified contractor to fully, completely and comprehensively audit the computation and distribution of the major categories of K-12 state aid programs authorized by the 2017 Kansas Legislature under the Kansas School Equity and Enhancement Act. This act was funded by 2017 Senate Bill 19 and Senate Substitute for House Bill 2002. The Commissioner shall work to define the entire scope of the

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proposed audit. This work shall begin no later than 60 days from this motion. Mrs. Horst seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

During discussion, there were questions and comments about purpose of another audit, contractor cost, public confidence, transparency, categories of state aid, the plan to report and respond following the audit, and time commitments.

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Dr. Watson described his recommendation to create a permanent, bi-partisan Kansas School Finance Commission to ensure transparency and accuracy in the distribution of state aid to school districts. Mrs. Waugh moved that the Kansas State Board of Education direct Commissioner Randy Watson to establish a commission to give oversight, guidance and recommendations to the Kansas State Department of Education, the State Board of Education and the legislature. The commission shall be charged with reviewing the computation and distribution of the major categories of K-12 state aid programs authorized by the Kansas Legislature, including highlighting and examining all changes in state law, policy and/or economic factors that affect the distribution of state aid to Kansas school districts. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

CITIZENS' OPEN FORUM

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Chairman Porter declared the Citizens' Forum open at 10:44 a.m. There were no speakers for public comment this month.

RECEIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR KANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND KANSAS STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND ON GOAL TWO: OUTREACH RESOURCES AND SERVICES

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Interim Superintendents Luanne Barron (Kansas School for the Deaf) and Jon Harding (Kansas State School for the Blind) reported on the second of five goals which arose from a personnel study requested by the State Board and conducted by the Kansas Association of School Boards. Goal Two centers on expanding outreach services and supports to meet the needs of students, parents and staff within their local communities and schools.

Mr. Harding outlined the specifics of the KSSB plan, which includes continued expansion of regional providers, regional technology or STEM camps, and services for 18-21 year olds seeking employment. For KSD, Ms. Barron talked about foundational supports in place, revising the current outreach five-year plan and conducting regional feedback sessions. Board members asked for more details and a timeline for the KSD outreach plan. The need to track statewide data for off-campus students being served by both schools was emphasized.

BREAK

There was a five-minute break at 11:55 a.m.

ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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Linda Sieck, Chair of the Professional Practices Commission, was remotely connected to the meeting and available to answer questions about the recommendations brought forth on three cases. Mr. Willard moved to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the PPC and revoke the licenses and any associated endorsements of Shelly Moore, Dawn Meredith and Kayla Ingalls. Mrs. Busch seconded. Motion carried 10-0.

ACTION ON HIGHER EDUCATION PREPARATION PROGRAM STANDARDS FOR FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE 6-12

In January, Board members received revised standards for Family and Consumer Science 6-12, which will be used by higher education institutions in their educator preparation programs. The standards establish requirements to ensure that educator candidates in Kansas have the knowledge and skills needed for today's learning context. Education Program Consultant Catherine Chmidling and revision

committee chair Sally Yahnke answered questions about the updates, particularly about the de-emphasis on cooking and sewing instruction. Mr. McNiece moved that the Kansas State Board of Education approve the new educator preparation program standards for Family and Consumer Science 6-12. Mrs. Cauble seconded. Motion carried 8-2, with Mr. Roberts and Mrs. Mah in opposition.

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At 12:15 p.m., Chairman Porter recessed the meeting for lunch until 1:30 p.m. The Board's Policy Committee met during the break to continue work on updating the guidelines.

LUNCH

RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL TITLE I DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS FROM KANSAS

Chairman Porter reconvened the meeting at 1:30 p.m. at which time the 2017 Title I Distinguished Kansas Schools were recognized. They are Pleasant Ridge Elementary, Easton USD 449, honored for exceptional student performance for two or more consecutive years, and Valley Heights Elementary, Valley Heights USD 498, honored for closing the achievement gap between student groups. Principals from both schools talked about specific processes in place that have proven successful. They also reported on attending the National Title I Conference in Philadelphia. Photos were taken following the presentation.

P.M. SESSION
(02:05:39)

RECOGNITION OF 2018 KANSAS TEACHER OF THE YEAR TEAM

Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis gave opening remarks as he introduced the 2018 Kansas Teacher of the Year team. Each member spoke about a particular topic. Those presenting were KTOY team members Brad Weaver, a music teacher at Atchison Elementary School (USD 409); Angie Powers, an English teacher and AVID teacher at Olathe Northwest High School (USD 233), Megan Nagel, an English language arts and science teacher at Santa Fe 5/6 Center in Newton (USD 373), Sarah VenJohn, a mathematics teacher at Winfield High School (USD 465), Jennifer Donovan, a music teacher at Clear Creek Elementary in Shawnee (USD 232), Jamie Manhart, a journalism teacher at Silver Lake Jr.-Sr. High School (USD 372), Gil Still Jr., a fourth-grade teacher at Northwest Elementary School in Dodge City (USD 443), and Kansas Teacher of the Year Samantha "Sam" Neill, an English teacher at Buhler High School (USD 313).

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The Board took a 15-minute break for photos with the honorees.

BREAK

RECEIVE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO LICENSURE REGULATIONS

The Professional Standards Board and the Regulations Committee recommend changes to a set of licensure regulations. Proposed amendments were brought to the State Board on the following: K.A.R. 91-1-200, 91-1-201, 91-1-202, 91-1-203, 91-1-204 and 91-1-209. This set of regulations includes amendments to build in additional license options and new endorsement areas, provide additional flexibility, and update or clarify terms. Susan Helbert, Interim Director of Teacher Licensure and Accreditation, brought forth the information according to categories of the amendments. There were questions and comments about specific language and procedures for obtaining endorsements. The next step is for the State Board to act on submitting the proposed amendments to the Department of Administration and Attorney General's office for review.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. McNiece moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Willard seconded. Motion carried 10-0. In the Consent Agenda, the Board:

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- received the monthly Personnel Report for January.
- confirmed the unclassified personnel appointments of Natalie McClane as Education Program Consultant on the Early Childhood, Special Education, and Title Services team, effective Jan. 2, 2018, at an annual salary of \$56,118.40; Holly Kuckelman as Consultant on the Child Nutrition and Wellness team, effective Jan. 2, 2018, at an annual salary of \$48,484.80; Barbara Bahm as Senior

Administrative Assistant on the Career, Standards, and Assessment team, effective Jan. 4, 2018, at an annual salary of \$28,308.80; Jennifer Marlatt as Senior Administrative Assistant on the Career, Standards, and Assessment team, effective Jan. 22, 2018, at an annual salary of \$28,308.80; Melanie Scott as trainer on the Information Technology team, effective Feb. 12, 2018, at an annual salary of \$46,092.80.

- received second quarter reports from Kansas School for the Deaf and Kansas State School for the Blind.
- accepted the following recommendations for licensure waivers valid for one school year:
Agriculture -extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Aliasha Rogers, USD 316. Chemistry - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Jennifer Wangsgaard, USD 453. English Language Arts—extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License — Andrea Tribitt, USD 500. English as a Second Language - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- La Veda Tyler, Rosa Williams, USD 500. Family and Consumer Science - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Mark Richardson, Ira Lockhart III, Lashonda Valentine, USD 500. Gifted -- Elizabeth Harms, USD 200; Jacy McIntosh, USD 320. Health - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Cortez Carter, USD 500. High Incidence Special Education -- Brittini Robison, USD 321; Amanda Griffin, USD 418; Teresa Morgan, USD 489; Benjamin Phillips, Christopher Funk, Kelly Lucas, USD 500; Sara Srock, D0638; Stacie Adams, USD 407; Michelle Langton, USD 512; Aaron Colliatie, D0605. Low Incidence Special Education - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Charles Jean-Baptiste, USD 500; Areatha Stevens, Danisha Roach, Justin Weir, Martez Wesley, USD 500. Math - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Albert Valdes, Armando Browne, George Roath III, Patrick Stinson, USD 500. Physical Science - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Frederick Gilliland, USD 500. Reading Specialist - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Tarence Maddox, Angela Knight, USD 500. Social Studies Middle Level - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Jason McWilliams, USD 327. Spanish - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Tiffany Boulware, USD 500. Technology Education - extension on the number of days under an Emergency Substitute License -- Vernon Eskridge Jr, USD 500.
- approved, with modifications, the in-service education plans for USD 402 Augusta and Diocese of Salina.
- approved issuance of a Visiting Scholar license for the second semester of the 2017-18 school year to Scott Franklin for Blue Valley USD 229 Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS) program.
- accepted the following recommendations of the Evaluation Review Committee for program approval: **University of Saint Mary** — Chemistry (6-12), continuing programs through Dec. 31, 2024.
- approved the Education Flexibility Partnership (Ed-Flex) waiver request for USD 329 Wabaunsee.
- issued Calendar Year 2018 licenses to the following recommended commercial driver training schools: Horizons Driving Academy, Salina; Premier Driving School of Wichita, Wichita; and Twister City Motorcycles, LLC, Park City.

authorized the Commissioner of Education to negotiate and

- enter into a contract with the Kansas Department of Agriculture for the purpose of completing on-site health inspections of unlicensed Summer Food Service Program meal preparation and service sites at the rate of \$180 per inspection, not to exceed \$36,000;

- renew the Kansas Integrated Accountability Systems contract with Leader Services to provide ongoing service and maintenance of the Early Childhood, Special Education, and Title Services' Kansas Integrated Accountability System web-based monitoring application through, no later than June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 to be paid out of the federal Title I consolidated pool and IDEA VI-B funds;
- enter into a contract with the Kansas Association of Broadcasters to air public broadcast of KSDE public service announcements to promote Career and Technical Education and to support the Kansas State Board of Education's vision for the implementation of the Individual Plan of Study in an amount not to exceed \$40,000;
- enter into a contract with Gizmo productions to develop educational videos to support and promote Career and Technical Education and the Individual Plan of Study in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

Deputy Commissioner Dale Dennis provided a summary of bills concerning education introduced by the 2018 Legislature, noting that few bills to date had advanced out of committee. He shared specific components of several bills before the House and Senate for consideration. Mr. Dennis also announced the schedule of reports that will be given by Dr. Lori Taylor, the contractor who was hired to conduct a school finance study for the Legislature. These will given Feb. 23 and 24.

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DISCUSSION ON DISCRIMINATION

At the request of Board member Mr. Roberts, members had an open discussion on the topic of race discrimination, particularly identification of racial percentages or statistics in data collection. Mr. Roberts mentioned two sample proposals he suggested last month for not labeling students by race. Comments included federal reporting and looking at research to help all students do well in school.

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BOARD REPORTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Legislative and Communication Committees — Mr. McNiece reminded members of the dinner that evening with members of the House and Senate Education Committees.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**
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Policy — Mrs. Waugh announced the committee expects to present recommendations next month for updating the policy guidelines and one section of the Board policies.

School Mental Health Advisory Council — Mrs. Busch reported that the council has asked KSDE to develop training modules for teachers and staff that address wellness as well as adverse childhood experiences. Personal safety trainings for students are also being considered.

Board Attorney Mark Ferguson commented on the following:

- monthly report, which included both December and January activities
- Kansas School for the Deaf negotiations and start of the annual process
- timetable identified in the supreme court opinion for briefs and oral arguments.

**BOARD
ATTORNEY'S
REPORT**

Chairman Porter recessed the meeting at 4:45 p.m. to attend the scheduled legislative dinner at the Top of the Tower with members of the House and Senate Education Committees. The meeting would resume at 9 a.m. on Wednesday. Any remaining Individual Board Reports and Board Travel would take place then.

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KANSAS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2018****CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Jim Porter called the Wednesday meeting of the State Board of Education to order at 9 a.m. on Feb. 14, 2018 in the Board Room at the Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson St., Topeka, Kansas.

**2/14/2018
A.M. Session
(00:00:11)**

ROLL CALL

All Board members were present:

John Bacon	Jim McNiece
Kathy Busch	Jim Porter
Sally Cauble	Steve Roberts
Deena Horst	Janet Waugh
Ann Mah	Ken Willard

Chairman Porter acknowledged the absence of Commissioner Randy Watson and that representatives from the National Association of State Boards of Education had to postpone their visit to the meeting until March or April.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. Busch moved to approve the day's agenda. Mrs. Waugh seconded. Motion carried 9-1 with Mr. Roberts in opposition.

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(00:00:57)**

DISCUSS KANSANS CAN STATE-LEVEL OUTCOME: KINDERGARTEN READINESS

KSDE staff members Tiffany Blevins and Julie Ewing updated Board members on work around kindergarten readiness to ensure that each child enters kindergarten socially, emotionally and academically prepared for success. They reported on trainings occurring in preparation for the Aug. 1 launch of the Ages and Stages Questionnaires, a statewide tool that can provide a snapshot of child development. Ms. Blevins described the resources available on the Ages and Stages website. Other topics included data collection and parent engagement. Ms. Ewing talked about using the KIDS system for consistent statewide data and the challenges in determining how many students are served in early learning programs outside of a district setting. Collaboration with other KSDE divisions was addressed.

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There was a break at 10:15 a.m.

BREAK

HARASSMENT AWARENESS TRAINING: INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR AND THE INCLUSIVE WORKPLACE

Board members received informational training on discrimination and harassment, including sexual harassment. Ruth Glover with the Kansas Human Rights Commission gave the presentation titled "Inappropriate Behavior and the Inclusive Workplace." She covered Civil Rights laws, protected classes, reporting harassment, case study examples and how to evaluate a hostile work environment.

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Board members took a break until 11:50. Mr. Bacon did not return after the break.

BREAK

CONTINUATION OF BOARD REPORTS AND FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS

Individual Board member reports: Mr. McNiece toured Wichita State University's Innovation Campus and Spirit AeroSystem's internship program, and attended the Kansas Workforce Summit; Mrs. Mah reported on the advisory committee meeting for career and technical education and the Kansas

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**INDIVIDUAL
MEMBER
REPORTS**
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Workforce Summit; Mrs. Waugh joined Kansas Teacher of the Year finalists during school district in her area; Mr. Roberts attended the CTE Conference in Manhattan; Mrs. Horst reported on the Student Voice Committee's summary of comments gathered during roundtables with student leaders, and visited schools with the Commissioner; Mr. Willard and Mrs. Busch both attended the Jenna Quinn seminar on child sexual abuse; Mrs. Cauble participated in the Interstate Migrant Education Council's winter meeting.

Committee Appointments:

During his Chairman's Report, Mr. Porter made the following appointments after requests were made for State Board representation: Mrs. Waugh will serve on the Kansas Prescription Drug and Opioid Advisory Committee and Mrs. Mah will serve on the Kansas Fire Marshal's advisory review committee for fire safety building codes. He reviewed upcoming terms for Board representatives on the Kansas State High School Activities Association. These will be acted upon next month. Mr. Porter toured schools with the KTOY finalists and will give a presentation at the Kansas Music Educators Conference. He also thanked members for participating in the legislative dinner with members of the House and Senate Education committees Tuesday evening.

Requests for Future Agenda Items:

- Viewing of wellness training modules for teachers and staff as part of School Mental Health Advisory Council plan (Mrs. Busch)
- Wichita State's Innovation Campus and project-based learning focus (Mr. McNiece)
- Spirit AeroSystems summer manufacturing intern program as a role model for other schools/businesses, possibly visit facility (Mr. McNiece)
- School to Prison pipeline; does Kansas have an issue with students entering the juvenile justice systems? (Mrs. Mah)
- Development of a simplified two-tiered licensure system — initial and professional (Mr. Roberts)
- Teach for America program (Mrs. Horst)
- Child abuse prevention, helping teachers identify warning signs (Mr. Willard)
- Student speakers (Girl Scout Troop) who proposed education on sexual assault and consent (Mrs. Waugh)

BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL

Additions to the travel requests were: Mrs. Cauble, Mrs. Horst, Mr. Willard — Feb. 23 School Finance Study presentation; Mrs. Mah and Mrs. Waugh — March 9 Baldwin Education Foundation luncheon; Mrs. Horst—school visits with Commissioner TBD; Mr. McNiece — Feb. 21 Legislature, Feb. 23 PE conference at Emporia, Feb. 27 career counselors meeting, Feb. 28 superintendents meeting at Clearwater; Mr. Porter — meeting with Commissioner and legislators TBD. Mrs. Busch moved to approve the travel requests and additions. Mrs. Cauble seconded. Motion carried 9-0 with Mr. Bacon absent.

ADJOURN

Chairman Porter adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 13 and 14 in Topeka.

Jim Porter, Chairman

Peggy Hill, Secretary

MOTIONS
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