

Kentucky Board of Education Retreat Meeting August 05, 2015

Kentucky Board of Education Retreat Meeting, 500 Mero Street, State Board Room, First Floor, Capital Plaza Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky

SUMMARY MINUTES

The Kentucky Board of Education held its retreat meeting on August 05, 2015, in the State Board Room, First Floor, Capital Plaza Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky. The board conducted the following business:

I. Call to Order - 8:15 a.m. ET

Chair Roger Marcum called the meeting to order. He then made the following announcements:

- Today serves as the board's retreat meeting that will consist of a closed session in the morning to review the applications of those who have applied for the commissioner's position with search firm representatives and to discuss the appointment of an interim commissioner per KRS 61.810(1)(f).
- Also in open session, the board will review whether any changes need to be made to its policy manual and consider approval of future meeting dates.
- After lunch, the afternoon session will open with the singing of the National Anthem by Marlana VanHoose, followed by business items the rest of the afternoon.
- Once the board recesses, the members will attend an invitation only event at the Governor's Mansion from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. to celebrate Kentucky education progress and honor Commissioner Holliday. No business will be conducted at this event.
- The materials for the meeting can be found on the board's online materials system.
- Welcome to those watching the meeting via webcast.

II. Roll Call

Mary Ann Miller was asked to call the roll by Chair Marcum. All were present except Robert King.

Attendance Taken at 8:00 AM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Grayson Boyd
Mr. Leo Calderon
Ms. Debra Cook
Mr. Samuel Hinkle
Mr. David Kareem
Mr. Roger Marcum
Mr. Jonathan Parrent
Ms. Nawanna Privett
Mr. William Twyman

Ms. Mary Gwen Wheeler

Absent Board Members:

Robert King

III. Closed Session to Review Applications for the Commissioner of Education Position with Search Firm Representatives and Discuss Appointment of an Individual as Interim Commissioner per KRS 61.810 (1)(f) (Closed Session)

At this point, Chair Marcum asked for a motion, second and vote to go into closed session to review applications for the commissioner of education position with search firm representatives and discuss the appointment of an individual as interim commissioner per KRS 61.810(1)(f).

Motion Passed: Approval to go into closed session to review applications for the commissioner of education position with search firm representatives and discuss the appointment of an individual as interim commissioner per KRS 61.810(1)(f) passed with a motion by Ms. Mary Gwen Wheeler and a second by Mr. Jonathan Parrent.

Mr. Grayson Boyd	Yes
Mr. Leo Calderon	Yes
Ms. Debra Cook	Yes
Mr. Samuel Hinkle	Yes
Mr. David Karem	Yes
Mr. Roger Marcum	Yes
Mr. Jonathan Parrent	Yes
Ms. Nawanna Privett	Yes
Mr. William Twyman	Yes
Ms. Mary Gwen Wheeler	Yes

Once the motion passed, everyone was asked to leave the room and it was noted that when the board is ready to resume open session, it will be announced. When the board completed the closed session, Chair Marcum asked for a motion, second and vote to come out of closed session. David Karem made the motion and Mary Gwen Wheeler seconded it and it carried.

IV. Consideration of a Motion to Interview Semi-Finalist Candidates for the Commissioner of Education Position (Open Session)

Chair Marcum said now that the closed session had concluded, the board would resume open session and take action on the items discussed during the closed session. First, he asked for a motion, second and vote to interview specific semifinalist candidates identified by their application numbers.

Motion Passed: Approval to interview semi-finalist candidates with the identification numbers of 9753, 4434, 5410, 2920, 9261, 6401, 5379, 8921, 7351, 4187, 601, 832, 5408, 311, 4997 passed with a motion by Mr. Jonathan Parrent and a second by Ms. Mary Gwen Wheeler.

Mr. Grayson Boyd	Yes
Mr. Leo Calderon	Yes
Ms. Debra Cook	Yes
Mr. Samuel Hinkle	Yes
Mr. David Kareem	Yes
Mr. Roger Marcum	Yes
Mr. Jonathan Parrent	Yes
Ms. Nawanna Privett	Yes
Mr. William Twyman	Yes
Ms. Mary Gwen Wheeler	Yes

Following the vote, Marcum stated that the search firm is directed to contact the 15 applicants associated with the numbers identified by the board for an interview and orchestrate these interviews on behalf of the board.

V. Consideration of a Motion to Appoint an Individual as Interim Commissioner, Effective September 1, 2015 (Open Session)

Next, the board moved on to consider appointing an interim commissioner. Chair Marcum asked for a motion to appoint an interim commissioner effective September 1, 2015.

Motion Passed: Approval to appoint Kevin Brown as Interim Commissioner, Effective September 1, 2015 passed with a motion by Ms. Nawanna Privett and a second by Mr. William Twyman.

Mr. Grayson Boyd	Yes
Mr. Leo Calderon	Yes
Ms. Debra Cook	Yes
Mr. Samuel Hinkle	Yes
Mr. David Kareem	Yes
Mr. Roger Marcum	Yes
Mr. Jonathan Parrent	Yes
Ms. Nawanna Privett	Yes
Mr. William Twyman	Yes
Ms. Mary Gwen Wheeler	Yes

After the motion passed, Chair Marcum thanked Kevin Brown for his willingness to serve in this capacity.

Marcum then read the following statement about the status of the commissioner's search process:

"The Kentucky Board of Education met on June 3 and since that time, advertisements for the commissioner's position were placed in both national and state publications, both in print and online. The outreach from the search firm has targeted sitting commissioners of education across the country as well as assistant and associate commissioners and directors of education. They also targeted superintendents across the Commonwealth and of large public school districts

nationwide. 334 contacts have been made by the search firm. Of the 334, 37.7% were females and minorities and 56.3% were males. There are 44 active candidates in the pool. On August 14-15, the board will meet at the Crowne Plaza in Louisville to conduct the first round of interviews with up to 15 candidates, pending more information gathered on these persons by the search firm."

VI. Review of the KBE Policy Manual for Possible Changes (Review Item) - Executive Director Mary Ann Miller - 5-minute presentation/discussion (Strategic Priority: KDE Support and Guiding Processes)

Chair Marcum asked board member if they wanted any changes made to the KBE Policy Manual. No changes came forward.

VII. Approval of Meeting Dates for 2016 and 2017 (Action/Discussion Item) - Executive Director Mary Ann Miller - 10-minute presentation/discussion (Strategic Priority: KDE Support and Guiding Processes)

Members were asked if any changes were needed to the proposed meeting dates. None came forward.

Marcum then asked for a motion, second and vote to approve the dates.

Motion Passed: Approval of Meeting Dates for 2016 and 2017 passed with a motion by Ms. Debra Cook and a second by Mr. Leo Calderon.

Mr. Grayson Boyd	Yes
Mr. Leo Calderon	Yes
Ms. Debra Cook	Yes
Mr. Samuel Hinkle	Yes
Mr. David Karem	Yes
Mr. Roger Marcum	Yes
Mr. Jonathan Parrent	Yes
Ms. Nawanna Privett	Yes
Mr. William Twyman	Yes
Ms. Mary Gwen Wheeler	Yes

VIII. KBE Major Policy Issues Chart (Information Item) - Executive Director Mary Ann Miller - 5-minute presentation/discussion (Strategic Priority: KDE Support and Guiding Processes)

Chair Marcum asked if there were any questions about the policy issues chart. None came forward but Mary Gwen Wheeler asked if a similar format could be used during the year to include the priorities.

IX. Lunch - 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. ET (Lunch provided for KBE members, invited guests and commissioner's planning committee members only)

Prior to recessing for lunch, Chair Marcum announced the following:

- The board will reconvene at 1:00 p.m. ET here in the State Board Room.
- Lunch is provided for board members, invited guests and the commissioner's planning team members only. The board then recessed for lunch.

X. National Anthem Sung by Marlana VanHoose - 1:00 p.m. ET (Open Session)

To open up the full board meeting after lunch, Marlana VanHoose sung the National Anthem.

XI. Kentucky's Equitable Access to Effective Educators Plan (Review Item) - Associate Commissioner Amanda Ellis - 20-minute presentation/discussion - Strategic Priority: Next Generation Learners and Next Generation Professionals

Associate Commissioner Amanda Ellis explained that the U.S. Department of Education required the construction of the equity plan. She noted that staff had worked on it for a year and brought it before the commissioner's advisory councils twice. Ellis emphasized that implementation of the plan will require partnership with all stakeholders. She went through the highlights of the plan.

XII. Kentucky Tech System Policies and Procedures (Action/Discussion Item) - Associate Commissioner Dale Winkler - 15-minute presentation/discussion (Strategic Priority: KDE Support and Guiding Processes)

Associate Commissioner Dale Winkler presented this item and reminded the board that staff worked with KSBA to write the original policy and procedures and now the board is asked to look at the latest update. He said these apply to the 53 area technology centers. Winkler asked for the board to approve these changes.

Chair Marcum asked if there were any questions on the changes. None came forward. Thus, he asked for a motion, second and vote to approve the changes to chapters 3, 5, 8, 9, and 10.

Motion Passed: Approval of the changes to the Kentucky Tech System Policies and Procedures passed with a motion by Mr. David Kareem and a second by Ms. Mary Gwen Wheeler.

Mr. Grayson Boyd	Yes
Mr. Leo Calderon	Yes
Ms. Debra Cook	Yes
Mr. Samuel Hinkle	Yes
Mr. David Kareem	Yes
Mr. Roger Marcum	Yes
Mr. Jonathan Parrent	Yes
Ms. Nawanna Privett	Yes
Mr. William Twyman	Yes
Ms. Mary Gwen Wheeler	Yes

XIII. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Funding Recommendations (Review Item) - Associate Commissioner Dale Winkler - 3-hour presentation/discussion (Strategic Priority: All Priorities)

Associate Commissioner Dale Winkler, Joe Morgan, Laura Arnold, Leslee Slaughter, Kiley Whitaker and Mike Stone came forward for this presentation. A PowerPoint was used to discuss the following topics: Video - CTE from the Student Perspective, CTE Overview, Economic Competitiveness Act, Kentucky Tech Update, 2016 Biennial Budget Request, CTE Student Organizations and Video - Success in the New Economy.

XIV. Recess

Chair Marcum indicated the board would recess until tomorrow morning when the regular meeting would convene.

XV. Attendance of Celebration of Kentucky Education Progress and Recognition of Commissioner Holliday's Role in that Progress - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. ET - Kentucky Governor's Mansion (Invitation only event; No business to be conducted)

Marcum also noted that the board would be attending a reception tonight at the Governor's Mansion to celebrate Dr. Holliday's work and honor him upon his retirement. He explained that no business would be conducted at the reception.