

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF EDUCATION – ORIENTATION  
JUNE 5, 2018**

**300 SOWER BOULEVARD, 5<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, (ROOM 514)  
FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY 40601**

The Kentucky Board of Education held an orientation on Tuesday, June 5, 2018, in the State Board Room on the Fifth Floor of the 300 Building, located at 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky. The Kentucky Board of Education conducted no business during this meeting.

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Milton Seymore called the orientation meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. ET.

**II. Roll Call of KBE Members for Orientation**

Chair Seymore asked Mardi Montgomery to call the roll of members present for the orientation.

**Present**

Hal Heiner

Kathy Gornik

Tracey Cusick

Milton Seymore

Rich Gimmel

- III.** Chair Seymore asked Interim Commissioner Wayne Lewis to give brief opening remarks. Interim Commissioner Lewis briefly discussed current work on the new draft of a strategic plan. There are five goals: 1) Significantly reduce achievement gaps; 2) Increase proficiency in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade reading; 3) Increase proficiency in 5<sup>th</sup> grade math; 4) Increase proficiency in 8<sup>th</sup> grade math; and, 5) Increase college and career readiness rate.

**IV. Discussion of Board Meetings**

Mardi Montgomery shared a brief overview of the Kentucky Board of Education Handbook. A request was made for a timeline of dates to improve communication of agenda item review.

**V. Working with Kentucky Department of Education Staff**

**Rhonda Sims, Associate Commissioner, Office of Assessment and Accountability** provided an overview of responsibilities of her office.

**Karen Dodd, Office of the Commissioner, Strategic Planning and Research, Chief Information Officer** provided an overview of her responsibilities of her office.

**David Couch, Associate Commissioner, Office of Education Technology** provided an overview of responsibilities of his office.

**Amanda Ellis, Associate Commissioner, Office of Teaching and Learning** provided an overview of responsibilities of her office.

**Robin Kinney, Associate Commissioner, Office of Finance and Operations** provided an overview of responsibilities of her office.

**Laura Arnold, Associate Commissioner, Office of Career and Technical Education** provided an overview of responsibilities of her office.

**Kelly Foster, Associate Commissioner, Office of Continuous Improvement and Support** provided an overview of responsibilities of her office.

**Structure of the Kentucky Department of Education, Interim General Counsel, Todd Allen, Office of Legal, Legislative and Communication Services** provided an overview of legal, legislative and communication services.

**VI.** Discussion on Board Procedures, Board Policy, Open Meetings and Records Act and Executive Branch Code of Ethics by Interim General Counsel Todd Allen from the Kentucky Board of Education Handbook

**VII.** Signing of documents for travel and per diem. Mardi Montgomery and Susan Palmer

**VIII. Adjournment**

Motion by Kathy Gornick  
Second by Hall Heiner  
Motion unanimously passed.