SUMMARY OF ISSUE BEFORE THE BOARD:

To review the results of the Commissioner’s “Keep, Stop, Start” survey, which was deployed on October 5 (closed on November 20) and to share next steps. Staff will also review proposed metrics, which are being considered for use with an online dashboard.

APPLICABLE STATUTE OR REGULATION:

Elementary and Secondary Education Act; KRS 156.029(7); KRS 156.070; KRS 156.148

BACKGROUND:

Existing Policy: State law provides that the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) shall select a Commissioner of Education who is responsible for administering, structuring and organizing the Kentucky Department of Education. Additionally, the KBE also requires the Commissioner to establish goals, which he will be evaluated on annually.

Summary of Issue: In order to develop a new strategic plan, Commissioner Glass requested a statewide survey to gather feedback from stakeholders regarding what the KDE and educators in Kentucky should keep doing, stop doing and start doing. Survey results will be shared with the board. Additionally, one of the Commissioner’s goals is to provide transparent reporting of pre-K-20 indicators and long-range goals related to student outcomes, the educator workforce (including the diversity of the teacher workforce) and student engagement, benchmarked against other states as measured by the establishment of goals, benchmarks and the development of a strategic dashboard. Proposed metrics for this dashboard will be reviewed.

Budget Impact: Costs for implementing the strategic plan impact state funds and occur at the initiative level.

GROUPS CONSULTED AND BRIEF SUMMARY OF RESPONSES:

This was a statewide survey, which was distributed via multiple medias. The proposed metrics have been shared with the KDE leadership team with general approval.

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