

The Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) held its regular meeting on February 9, 2022. The KBE met in-person at the Kentucky School for the Blind, however a few board members continued to utilize video teleconference. This was a hybrid meeting of the Kentucky Board of Education. Members of the public were permitted to attend the meeting in person although encouraged to view the meeting on the Kentucky Department of Education's (KDE) Media Portal. The board conducted the following business:

I. Call to Order

Chair Young welcomed all board members and viewers and called the meeting to order at 9:07 am ET. Chair Young reminded members of the Open Meeting Act. Chair Young also stated that for any items that required a vote, a voice vote was necessary to record the vote of each board member.

II. Swearing In of New Board Member

Steve Trimble was sworn in as the newest member of the Kentucky Board of Education, representing Supreme Court District Seven. He was sworn in by Leah Sharpe.

III. Roll Call

Chair Young asked for a roll call of members. The following members were present: JoAnn Adams, Claire Batt, Holly Bloodworth, Jamie Bowling, Patrice McCrary, Randy Poe, Sharon Porter Robinson, Steve Trimble, Lee Todd, Lu Young, Amanda Ellis in place of CPE President Aaron Thompson, Mary Pat Regan, Solyana Mesfin and Allison Sloane.

KBE member Alvis Johnson joined the Microsoft Teams meeting later.

KDE Director of Education Policy Meredith Brewer stated a quorum was present.

IV. Internal Board Business

A. Approval of Summary Minutes for October 5, 2021 Curriculum Committee Meeting, and October 5, 2021 Operations Committee Meeting, December 1, 2021 Regular Meeting and February 3, 2022 KBE Awards Committee Meeting

Chair Young shared that the minutes for October 5, 2021 Curriculum Committee Meeting, October 5, 2021 Operations Committee Meeting, December 1, 2021 Regular Meeting and February 3, 2022 KBE Awards Committee Meeting were distributed to members in advance. The chair asked for any corrections to any of these minutes; there were none.

Chair Young asked for a motion to approve the minutes and Holly Bloodworth made the motion. Claire Batt seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

B. Discussion and Approval of the Recipient of the 2022 Robinson Award for Diversity and Equity in Public Education

Awards Committee Chair Patrice McCrary presented the information about the recipient of the 2022 Robinson Award for Diversity and Equity in Public Education. Committee Chair McCrary made the motion to adopt candidate # 3 as the winner of the award from committee. The motion did not require a second because it came from committee. The motion was unanimously approved.

C. Selection of National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) Committee Members

Chair Young facilitated a discussion about the membership of these committees. Vice-Chair, Dr. Robinson was nominated to serve on the Government Affairs Committee. Lee Todd motioned to approve this nomination and Randy Poe seconded the motion. The motion was passed with a unanimous voice vote. No one was nominated for the Public Education Positions committee.

D. Approval of KBE Member Participation in 2022 National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) Legislative Conference on March 27-29, 2022

Chair Young facilitated a discussion on this topic. Chair Young called for a motion to approve up to two KBE members to attend the NASBE Legislative Conference. The motion was made by Patrice McCreary and seconded by Steve Trimble. The motion was passed with a unanimous voice vote.

V. Good News Items

A. Kentucky Senate, House Honor Tornado-Impacted Districts

Holly Bloodworth talked about the recent legislative honor given to Tornado-Impacted Districts.

B. February is National Career and Technical Education Month

Dr. Poe provided a brief summary of National Career and Technical Education month and gave a shout-out to Kentucky's efforts to advance Career and Technical Education.

- C. Marion County Represents Kentucky in National Christmas Tree Display** Jamie Bowling spoke about Marion County's contribution to the National Christmas Tree Display.
- D. Kentucky Students Chosen for 2022 U.S. Senate Youth Program** Solyana Mesfin celebrated the Kentucky students who were chosen to participate in the 2022 U.S. Senate Youth Program.
- E. 6th Annual EdCamp** Steve Trimble gave an update about and a shout-out to the 6th Annual EdCamp.

VI. Report from the President of the Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE)

Dr. Amanda Ellis reported about recent news and progress at the Council for Postsecondary Education.

VII. Report from the Commissioner of Education

Dr. Glass updated the Kentucky Board of Education on the current work and events happening the Kentucky Department of Education and public schools in Kentucky.

VIII. Update on Western Kentucky Tornado Relief Efforts

Dr. Glass spoke about the Western Kentucky Tornado relief efforts and provided a space for board members to speak on the events.

IX. Report from the Secretary of the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet

Lieutenant Governor Jaqueline Coleman spoke about the current work of the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

X. Update on the Commonwealth Education Continuum

Dr. Amanda Ellis reported about recent news and progress of the Commonwealth Education Continuum. The Board members discussed the update and asked questions.

XI. Presentation of the 2021 Kevin C. Brown Strategic Priority Award

Dr. Glass presented this award to the Goodfellows Club of Owensboro. The recipients, nominations, namesake, and board members discussed the award.

Alvis Johnson joined the meeting virtually.

XII. Approval of Consent Agenda (Approved as a Group)

A. Action Items

1. Approval of New District Facility Plans
2. Approval of Certification for 702 KAR 3:320, Finance Officer Certification Requirements, to avoid expiration
3. Intended Expiration of 705 KAR 4:250, Energy Technology Engineering Career Pathway
4. Approval of Certification for 705 KAR 4:041, Work-Based Learning Program Standards, to avoid expiration.

Sharon Robinson made the motion to approve the consent agenda and Steve Trimble seconded. The motion was passed with a unanimous voice vote.

XIII. Public Comment Segment

Chair Young reminded the public that public expression was solicited via the meeting's news release and distributed to members and staff prior to the meeting. Chair Young stated the board received twenty-seven (27) public comments via email from twenty-seven (27) individuals. The comment was sent to KBE members in advance of the meeting and is posted on the KBE portal for public viewing.

Chair Young thanked those who submitted public comments on behalf of all KBE members and thanked them all for taking the time to share their feedback and concerns with the board and stated the KBE always appreciates the opportunity to hear from constituents on matters that pertain to education across the Commonwealth.

XIV. Action/Discussion Items

A. Approval of Amended District Facility Plan for Nelson County School District

KDE Associate Commissioner Robin Kinney and KDE Executive Advisor Matt Ross discussed the district facility plan with the board members. Alvis Johnson made a motion to approve the plan and Dr. Porter-Robinson seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

B. Approval of Waiver Request from Washington Co. Related to 702

KAR 4:180 KDE Associate Commissioner Robin Kinney and KDE Division Director Chay Ritter discussed the waiver request with the board members. Patrice McCreary made the motion to approve the waiver request and Randy Poe seconded. The motion was passed with a unanimous voice vote.

C. Approval of Waiver Request from Garrard Co. Related to 702 KAR 4:180

KDE Associate Commissioner Robin Kinney and KDE Division Director Chay Ritter discussed the waiver request with the board members. Lee Todd made a motion to approve the waiver request and Holly Bloodworth seconded. The motion was approved with unanimous voice vote.

D. Approval of Amendments to 702 KAR 3:090 Depository of board, collateral

KDE Associate Commissioner Robin Kinney discussed the amendments with the board members. Claire Batt made the motion to approve the amendments and Jamie Bowling seconded. The motion was approved with a unanimous voice vote.

E. Approval of Amendments to 780 KAR 3:020, KY Tech Compensation Plan

KDE Associate Commissioner David Horseman and KDE Division Director Beth Hargis discussed the amendments with the board members. Steve Trimble made the motion to approve the amendments and Dr. Porter-Robinson seconded. The motion was approved with a unanimous voice vote.

XV. Kentucky School for the Blind Presentation

Four students from the Kentucky School for the Blind gave a presentation on the school's history and impact.

XVI. Lunch

XVII. Review Items

A. Profile of a Graduate Discussion

KDE Associate Commissioner Kelly Foster and KDE Division Director David Cook discussed the state Profile of a Graduate progress. Chair Young asked for a motion to have the Curriculum Committee monitor and get involved with the Profile of a Graduate work. Randy Poe made the motion and Claire Batt seconded. The motion was passed with a unanimous voice vote.

B. Strategic Update

KDE Chief Performance Officer Karen Dodd provided an update on the Strategic Plan.

C. Update on Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

KDE Associate Commissioner Gretta Hylton, The Dollywood Foundation and the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development provided an update on Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

D. 2022-2024 Biennial Budget and Legislative Update

KDE Associate Commissioner Robin Kinney, KDE Division Director Karen Wirth and KDE Director of Government Relations Brian Perry provided an update.

E. Facilities Process Review Update

KDE Associate Commissioner Robin Kinney provided an update on the facilities process reviews.

XVIII. Hearing Officer's Report

A. Statement of Consideration for 702 KAR 1:192E, District Employee Quarantine Leave

KDE Associate Commissioner Robin Kinney and KDE General Counsel Todd G. Allen presented about 702 KAR 1:192E. After a few questions and comments, Chair Young called for a motion. The motion was made to approve the statement of consideration of amended version on 702 KAR 1:192E by JoAnn Adams and seconded by Jamie Bowling. The motion was approved with a unanimous voice vote.

XIX. Litigation Report

KDE General Counsel Todd G. Allen provided an update on the litigation report.

XX. Board Member Sharing

Solyana Mesfin and Patrice McCreary shared during this time.

XXI. Adjournment

Patrice McCrary moved to adjourn, and Lee Todd seconded the motion. The motion was passed with a unanimous voice vote.