KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STAFF NOTE REVIEW ITEM

Topic: Follow-Up to 2021 Exceptions to 702 KAR 1:116, Annual In-Service Training of District Board Members, and Action Regarding Members Not Completing Training Requirements
Date: December 2022 Held In:

SUMMARY OF PRESENTATION:

In June 2022, the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) received a presentation and took action to approve the 2021 Report, 2021 Exceptions, and 2023 Plan as required by 702 KAR 1:116, Annual In-service Training of District Board Members.

During its June 2022 meeting, the KBE granted an extension of time to complete annual inservice training to approximately nine (9) local board members appointed to service prior to March 1, 2021 who did not complete the 2021 annual training requirements. KDE's Office of Legal Services (OLS) communicated with these individuals on behalf of the KBE to notify them of the KBE's action to extend the deadline to complete 2021 annual in-service training on or before July 31, 2022. Of the local board members granted an extension, all but three (3) completed the training requirements by July 31, 2022.

702 KAR 1:116 provides that "the names of all district school board members who fail to complete the required in-service training set forth in KRS 160.180 and this administrative regulation shall be transmitted by the department to the Attorney General." Therefore, on August 3, 2022, OLS reported the names of the three (3) local board of education members who failed to complete the required hours of 2021 annual in-service training pursuant to KRS 160.180(5).

The Kentucky Attorney General is vested with authority to remove local board members for failure to complete the annual in-service training required by KRS 160.180(5) and 702 KAR 1:116. As such, it will be up to the Attorney General to take additional action regarding the failure of these three (3) local board members who failed to complete the required hours of 2021 annual in-service training.

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