

The Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) held the State Schools Committee meeting on December 6, 2023. The committee met in-person at the Kentucky Department of Education, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort KY. The following business was conducted:

I. Call to Order

Chair Randy Poe welcomed the committee members and guests to the meeting.

II. Roll Call

Chair Poe asked for a roll call of members. The following members were present: Randy Poe, Steve Trimble, Diana Woods, Sharon Robinson, Lu Young, and R.J. Osborne.

III. Action/Discussion Item

A. Amendment to KY Tech Policy 09.224, Emergency Medical Treatment

KDE Associate Commissioner Beth Hargis, Ed.D. presented the proposed amendment. The Office of Career and Technical Education recommended revisions to the Kentucky Tech Policy for Emergency Medical Treatment to include an ATC may maintain an opioid antagonist for individuals who may be experiencing life-threatening opioid overdose and Epinephrine for students who may experience a life-threatening allergic reaction but have no written health plan. The amended policy directs medications to be administered following the protocols developed by the KY Department of Public Health.

Chair Poe called a motion to approve the amendment. The motion was made by Steve Trimble and seconded by Diana Woods. The motion passed unanimously with a voice vote.

IV. Review Items

A. Kentucky Area Technology Centers and Regional Academies Update

KDE Associate Commissioner Beth Hargis, Ed.D. provided the update along with Larry Garrity, Lea Lewis and Regan Satterwhite.

Their presentation gave an overview of the funding and budgeting process, occupation-based teacher pay, and state supplemental CTE funds. The team also included a Formula Proposal which entailed \$70 million in State CTE Funding for all KY CTE Programs (40% incentives and 60% weighted FTE value). Additionally,

the proposal includes the following points of note: all Perkins eligible CTE pathways will receive a state CTE funding allocation (in local programs and state-operated centers), the funding shall be intended for improved student outcomes in CTE pathways which will be monitored by the KDE, the mid-year adjustment will be eliminated, districts may apply for approval for use of funds for middle grade CTE programming, and incentive categories will be concentrators, technical skill attainment, work-based learning, and CTE dual credit.

B. Kentucky School for the Blind and Kentucky School for the Deaf Update

KDE Associate Commissioner Gretta Hylton, KDE Division Director Shannon Sparkman, KDE Division Director Karen Wirth, and KDE Assistant Director Emma Riley provided the update.

The team reviewed how funds were used to support students at KSB and KSD during fiscal year 2023. KSB was allotted \$8,610,000 via House Bill 1 (HB 1) General Fund and a total of \$8,610,000 was spent. KSB also received \$366,654.66 in Restricted Funds, which are accumulative. KSD was allotted \$11,611,800 via HB 1 General Fund and a total of \$11,611,800 was spent. KSD also received \$200,781,31 in Restricted Funds. The team also presented an overview of funds already approved for the 2024 fiscal year, which included funding for KSB, KSD, and State Schools Capital projects.

V. Adjournment

Chair Poe thanked everyone for the updates and requested a motion to adjourn the committee. The motion was made by Steve Trimble and seconded by Diana Woods. The motion was approved unanimously with a voice vote.