KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STAFF NOTE REVIEW ITEM

Topic: Kentucky School for the Deaf (KSD) CEASD Accreditation

Date: June 6, 2024

Held In: ☐ Full Board ☐ State Schools ☐ United We Learn

SUMMARY OF PRESENTATION:

SUMMARY OF ITEM BEFORE THE COMMITTEE:

Presentation on KSD's 2022 accreditation report from the Conference of Educational Administrators of Schools and Programs for the Deaf (CEASD).

APPLICABLE STATUTE OR REGULATION:

KRS 156.070; KRS 167.015

BACKGROUND:

Existing Policy:

KRS 156.070 details the general powers and duties of the state board, including management of the two state schools: "The Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) shall have the management and control of the common schools and all programs operated in these schools, including interscholastic athletics, the Kentucky School for the Deaf, the Kentucky School for the Blind, and community education programs and services." KRS 167.015 also provides that: "The Kentucky School for the Blind at Louisville, Kentucky, and the Kentucky School for the Deaf at Danville, Kentucky, shall be managed and controlled by the Kentucky Board of Education."

Summary of Presentation:

The Conference of Educational Administrators of Schools and Programs for the Deaf (CEASD) is a non-governmental, nonprofit, peer-administered organization of diverse educational programs committed to the highest quality of education for students who are Deaf and hard of hearing. CEASD's purpose is to ensure the continuous improvement of its member schools through effective leadership, self-study, peer evaluation, accreditation, exemplary programs and supportive services. The accreditation visit was conducted Nov. 13-16, 2022. Staff from the Office of Special Education and Early Learning will provide a summary of the most impactful commendations and recommendations to the State Schools Committee.

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