

**The Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) held the Awards Committee meeting on July 26, 2024. The committee met virtually. The following business was conducted:**

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Diane Woods welcomed the committee members and guests viewing the livestream to the meeting.

**II. Roll Call**

Chair Woods asked for a roll call of members. The following members were present: Julie Pile, Diane Woods, and Lu Young.

**III. 2024 Kelly Award for Business and Education Partnership**

**A. Review of Criteria for Selecting the Recipient of the Kelly Award for Business and Education Partnership**

Chair Woods provided an overview and brief discussion of the criteria for the Kelly Award which, “is given in the fall of each year to a Kentucky businessperson or business who has partnered with a public school or district to provide outstanding leadership that promotes school improvement and student success. Criteria for the award includes: creating or sustaining strategic partnership between a business and school or district that leads to improved student outcomes, including but not limited to, postsecondary success and workforce outcomes; and significant contribution to a school or a district that leads or will likely lead to increased or improved educational opportunities or improved educational, postsecondary or workforce outcomes for students.”

**B. Review and Discussion of the Nominations for the Kelly Award for Business and Education Partnership**

Chair Woods then explained that committee members were asked to review the candidates prior to the meeting using a provided rubric. All members positively commented on the qualifications of candidate 3/9.

**C. Approve Recommendation of Individual(s) as the Recipient of the Kelly Award for Business and Education Partnership**

The committee determined that its top applicant was candidate 3/9. A vote was necessary to bring the recommendation before the full board for consideration of approval at its August 7 regular meeting. Based on the candidate’s efforts and success in the area of business education partnership, Chair Woods asked the committee to entertain a motion to approve candidate 3/9 as the recipient of the 2024 Kelly Award for

Business and Education Partnership. The motion was made by Lu Young and seconded by Julie Pile. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

**IV. Adjournment**

Chair Woods thanked everyone for their time and a productive meeting. Chair Woods requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Julie Pile and seconded by Lu Young. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.