



NKCES Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
April 15, 2026
8:30 AM
NKCES, Synergy Room
5516 East Alexandria Pike
Cold Spring, KY 41076

Member Districts

Beechwood Independent • Bellevue Independent • Boone County • Bracken County • Campbell County
Carroll County • Covington Independent • Dayton Independent • Erlanger-Elsmere Independent • Fleming County
Fort Thomas Independent • Grant County • Greenup County • Kenton County • Lewis County • Ludlow Independent
Mason County • Newport Independent Northern Kentucky University • Owen County • Pendleton County
Southgate Independent • Walton-Verona Independent • Williamstown Independent

Attendance Taken at 8:45 AM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Matt Atkins

Dr. Matt Baker

Mr. Joe Buerkley

Mr. Greg Duty

Dr. Ginni Fair

Mr. Alvin Garrison

Mr. Casey Jaynes

Ms. Misty Middleton

Mr. Matt Engel (Proxy for Mr. Chad Molley)

Mr. Todd Moody

Mr. Brian Robinson

Mr. John Slone

Dr. Jason Steffen

Mrs. Shawna Harney (Proxy for Dr. Henry Webb)

Mr. Rick Wolf

Absent Board Members:

Dr. Brian Creasman

Dr. Henry Webb

Dr. Jeff Hauswald

Dr. Shelli Wilson

Mr. Chad Molley

Mr. Clay King

Mr. Jeff Aulick

Mr. Justin Kaiser

Mr. Reggie Taylor

Mr. Rick Ross

Mr. Steve Hall

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Acknowledgement of Guests

IV. Consent Agenda

Motion Passed: Approve and accept the items on the Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Casey Jaynes and a second by Mr. Rick Wolf.

IV.A. Approval of March 2026 Minutes

IV.B. Approval of Treasurer's Report

IV.C. Personnel Report

V. PL Update and March Movie

VI. SERTAC Update

VII. Instructional Spotlight: CEO Program

VIII. Communication Items and Discussion

VIII.A. NKU Update: Dean Ginni Fair

IX. Old Business

IX.A. NKCES Budgets - Operations, RSP & SERTAC*

Motion Passed: The Executive Committee requests the board's approval for the budgets as presented. passed with a motion from Mr. Brian Robinson and a second by Ms. Misty Middleton.

X. New Business

X.A. NKCES Salary Schedule 2026-2027*

Rationale:

The NKCES salary schedule reflects a 4% increase to align with the board's goal of maintaining a competitive salary schedule. It is also recommended to adjust the Regional Special Education Director's Index to 1.63(230 days) to better align with the region. However, after meeting with the executive board, they advised keeping the index and days the same. This is due to the level of work required for this job and the regional focus through the Elevate NKY Data.

Motion Passed: The Executive Committee requests the board's approval to accept the salary schedule as presented. passed with a motion by Mr. Greg Duty and a second by Mr. Casey Jaynes.

XI. Acknowledgment of Written Reports from NKCES

XI.A. Executive Director NKCES

XII. Report Outs from State Agencies

XII.A. KDE: Dr. Kelly Foster, Associate Commissioner

XII.B. KASA: Mike Ford, Director of Affiliates and Member Support

XII.C. KASS: Dr. Jim Flynn, Executive Director

XII.D. KSBA: Josh Shoulta, Associate Executive Director

XII.E. KETS: Mary Ann Rankin, Field Staff

XIII. Reports from Community/Business

XIII.A. NLYEC: Dr. Randy Poe, Executive Director

XIV. Motion for Adjournment

Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Mr. Casey Jaynes and a second by Mr. Brian Robinson.