



KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ADVISORY GROUP TOPIC SUMMARY

ADVISORY GROUP: Local Superintendents Advisory Council (LSAC)

MEETING DATE: March 28, 2019

Agenda Item: 702 KAR 3:130, Internal Accounting (First Reading)

Presenter: Robin Kinney

Summary of Discussion:

The LSAC heard a presentation by the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE), Office of Finance and Operations regarding proposed amendments to 702 KAR 3:130, Internal Accounting. The regulation establishes uniform procedures for the accounting of school activity funds and incorporates by reference the Redbook document. The current version of the regulation has been in effect since July 1, 2013. The proposed amendments consist of minor changes to address issues and include best practices that have been identified since the adoption of the current version, as well as, revisions to most of the forms to make them more user friendly. The highlight for LSAC was the revision that will raise the grade-level from third to sixth and above before students are required to sign the Multiple Receipt Form (MRF)

The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) gathered information over the previous five (plus) years from finance officers and auditors on items that needed to be changed, added, and removed from the current Redbook version. Members of the same constituencies participated in the Redbook revisions, including finance officers from small, medium, and large school districts, several auditors, and a Redbook trainer.

Action Taken: N/A

Follow-up Required: Second Reading

Agenda Item: 702 KAR 7:065, Designation of Agent to Manage Middle and High School Interscholastic Athletics and Revisions to Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) Bylaws (First Reading)

Presenters: Julian Tackett and Deanna Durrett

Summary of Discussion:

Review of the four items changed by member school vote at the KHSAA Annual Meeting (specifically bylaws). Clarification was also given to any items requested by the individual members including championship structure and recent Esports and other initiatives.

Action Taken: N/A

Follow-up Required:

Submission of final documents to be presented for approval by the Kentucky Board of Education.

Agenda Item: Kentucky School for the Blind (KSB) and Kentucky School for the Deaf (KSD) Adoption of Special Education Policies and Procedures

Presenters: Gretta Hylton and Kevin Stull

Summary of Discussion:

Ms. Gretta Hylton, Associate Commissioner for the new Office of Special Education and Early Learning (OSEEL), discussed the most recent reorganization of the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) which created the new office and the elevation of KSB and KSD to a division within the OSEEL. Mr. Kevin Stull is the director of state schools.

KRS 156.070 gives the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) the management and control of the KSB and KSD. The KBE will review and take action on the proposed policies and procedures at its next meeting, April 10, 2019.

LSAC reviewed the proposed special education policies and procedures for the KSB and the KSD. As part of a formal complaint investigation involving the KSB, the OSEEL cited the KSB for lacking written special education policies and procedures. As a condition of receiving federal funding, local districts are required to have, in effect, policies, procedures and programs regarding special education that are consistent with the state's policies and procedures (20 U.S.C. §1413 (a) (1)).

To meet state and federal requirements, as well as operationalize best practices, the OSEEL drafted the accompanying "Special Education Policies and Procedures". These policies will be adopted by both the KSB and KSD to align current practices to special education policies adopted by school districts across the state.

LSAC was presented with copies of the policies which are modeled from local district special education policies. No questions were posed.

Action Taken:

LSAC voted unanimously to approve the special education policies for KSB and KSD.

Follow-up Required:

No further follow-up is required.

Agenda Item: Approval of Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act State Transition Plan for 2019-2010

Presenters: Karla Tipton and David Horseman

Summary of Discussion:

Mr. Horseman introduced the Perkins V legislations. He informed the committee that Kentucky would be doing a transition plan for 2019-20.

Ms. Tipton gave a brief history of the Perkins grants and stated that the transition plan had been approved by the commissioner and discussed with the governor. She explained that the processes in the transition plan would remain the same as presently done with the exception that nursing and culinary programs of study would be completed in 2019-20.

Action Taken:

The 2019-20 Perkins Transition Plan was approved.

Follow-up Required:

None