



KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Local Superintendent's Advisory Council (LSAC)

SUMMARY

July 26, 2022

Members: Chair Robbie Fletcher, Vice-Chair David Raleigh, Kirk Biggerstaff, Harry Burchett, Thom Cochran, David Cox, Will Hodges, Sheila Mitchell, Kelley Ransdell, Russ Tilford (absent), Mike Borchers.

Agenda Item: Amendments to 705 KAR 4:041, Work-Based Learning Program Standards

Presenters: Beth Hargis, Associate Commissioner, Office of Career and Technical Education; and Leslie Slaughter, Executive Advisor, Office of Career and Technical Education, Kentucky Department of Education

Summary of Discussion: Slaughter provided an overview of the proposed amendments to the regulation and document incorporated by reference (Kentucky Work-Based Learning Manual). No questions were posed by LSAC members; however, Superintendent Harry Burchett expressed appreciation for the work on this regulation and the manual.

Action Taken: A motion for approval was made by Superintendent Burchett and seconded by Superintendent David Cox. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Follow-up Required: N/A

Agenda Item: 704 KAR 3:535, Full-Time Enrolled Online, Virtual and Remote Learning Programs

Presenters: David Couch, Chief Information Officer/Associate Commissioner, Office of Education Technology; Marty Park, Chief Digital Officer, Office of Education Technology; Micki Ray, Chief Academic Officer, Office of Teaching and Learning; and Robin Kinney, Associate Commissioner, Office of Education Technology, Kentucky Department of Education

Summary of Discussion: Couch introduced the new regulation and Park provided history around the temporary waiver development process which began with LSAC members a few years ago. It has progressed to the point where we now need a program standard for full-time enrolled online, virtual and remote learning programs to add a more permanent solution. While the current waiver is in place for the 2022-2023 school year, this regulation is being introduced now in order to have regulatory language in place for the 2023-2024 school year. This regulation

goes hand in hand with a few of the amendments being brought to the LSAC on 702 KAR 7:125, Pupil attendance, further addressing the funding mechanism.

Marty Park walked the LSAC members through the regulation with an emphasis on the definitions and elements of high quality. Superintendents were interested and in favor of the proposed expanded opportunities.

Action Taken: A motion for approval was made by Superintendent Mike Borchers, and seconded by Superintendent David Raleigh, motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Follow-up Required:

Draft regulation will now move forward and go before the Kentucky Board of Education at its Aug. 3 regular meeting.

Agenda Item: Amendment to 702 KAR 7:125, Pupil Attendance

Presenters: Robin Kinney, Associate Commissioner, Office of Finance and Operations; and Matt Ross, Policy Advisor, Officer of Finance and Operations, Kentucky Department of Education

Summary of Discussion: The discussion included an explanation of the amendments to the pupil attendance as necessitated by the promulgation of 704 KAR 3:535, Full-Time Enrolled Online, Virtual and Remote Learning Programs. Due to the creation of the virtual regulation, it is necessary to amend the Pupil Attendance regulation to allow attendance to be collected for students attending virtually rather than in person. The amendment also includes changes to remove provisions no longer in effect related to students in quarantine/isolation during the 2021-22 school year and the nonresident contract dispute policy. Finally, the amendment includes new enrollment codes for students withdrawing to or enrolling from charter schools.

Action Taken: A motion for approval was made by Superintendent Burchett and seconded by Superintendent Borchers. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Follow-up Required: None.

Agenda Item: Annual Amendments to the Kentucky Tech Policies and Procedures

Presenters: Beth Hargis, Associate Commissioner, Office of Career and Technical Education; and Leslie Slaughter, Executive Advisor, Office of Career and Technical Education, Kentucky Department of Education

Summary of Discussion: Hargis provided an overview of the proposed policy amendments. Regarding the School Resource Officer (SRO) policy, Superintendent Burchett inquired about available funding assistance from the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and whether coverage for Area Technology Center (ATC) buildings could be pro-rated. General Counsel Todd Allen provided clarity on

the statutory language of this mandate and Associate Commissioner Robin Kinney assured LSAC members that conversations were ongoing with the Center for School Safety and the State School Security Marshal.

Action Taken: A motion for approval was made by Superintendent David Cox and seconded by Superintendent Kirk Biggerstaff. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Follow-up Required: N/A

Agenda Item: Annual Policy Adoptions and Amendments for the Kentucky School for the Blind (KSB) and Kentucky School for the Deaf (KSD).

Presenters: Gretta Hylton, Associate Commissioner and State Director of Special Education, Office of Special Education and Early Learning; Carol Ann Morrison, Director, Division of Monitoring and Results, Office of Special Education and Early Learning, Kentucky Department of Education

Summary of Discussion: KRS 156.070 gives the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) the management and control of the KSB and KSD. The Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA) provides a model policy service to local school districts, the KSB and KSD. Policies for KSB and KSD are updated annually to reflect laws passed during the legislative session. These policies provide consistency between the two schools and are consistent with the policies in place in local school districts across the state, except in those few instances when the unique situation of these schools require otherwise.

One member of LSAC asked if Commissioner Glass considered himself as the superintendent of KSB/KSD and if he had reviewed the policy updates. Morrison responded yes; the Commissioner has reviewed the policy. He is apprised and supportive of these updates. LSAC had no additional questions or issues related to the proposed updates to policies for KSB and KSD.

Action Taken: A motion for approval was made by Superintendent Kelly Ransdell and seconded by Superintendent Will Hodges. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Follow-up Required: None.