



## KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Local Superintendent's Advisory Council (LSAC) SUMMARY

October 10, 2023

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Robbie Fletcher, Vice-Chair David Raleigh, Kirk Biggerstaff, Mike Borchers, Harry Burchett, Thom Cochran, David Cox, Will Hodges, Sheila Mitchell, Karen Solise, and Russ Tilford.

**Agenda Item:** Accountability Cut Scores Recommended by Standard Setting Committee (Action/Discussion)

**Presenters:** Rhonda L. Sims, Associate Commissioner; Kevin Hill, Division Director, Jennifer Stafford, Division Director, Office of Assessment and Accountability; and Brian Gong, Center for Assessment; Laura Pinsonneault, Center for Assessment

**Summary of Discussion:** In accordance with the process described in 703 KAR 5:270, an accountability standard setting committee comprised of a broad, diverse panel of stakeholders that included Kentucky educators met in June and September to establish recommended cut scores for Status and Change Levels for each state indicator and Overall Performance that combines all available indicators.

KRS 158.6455 requires that the percentile cut scores for status and change levels be approved by the Kentucky Department of Education and the Local Superintendents Advisory Council.

Statute also states the approved cut scores shall remain in place for at least six years unless they no longer support meaningful differentiation of schools as required by the federal Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015.

**Action Taken:** Chair Fletcher asked for a motion to accept the Accountability Cut Scores recommended by the Standard Setting Committee. The motion was made by Harry Burchett; seconded by David Raleigh. The council unanimously approved the recommended accountability system cut scores for Status and Change for each state indicator and Overall Performance recommended by the Standard Setting Committee.

**Follow-up Required:** Following the Local Superintendents Advisory Council (LSAC) meeting with the Kentucky Department of Education's Interim Commissioner Robin Fields Kinney and staff, the LSAC Chair Robbie Fletcher presented approval of the accountability cut scores to the members of the Kentucky Board of Education.

## **Agenda Item: 702 KAR 3:330, Liability Insurance Regulation**

**Presenters:** Matt Ross, Executive Advisor, and Chay Ritter, Division Director, Office of Finance and Operations

**Summary of Discussion:** The LSAC members discussed the regulation regarding district procurement of liability insurance for certified employees. The regulation is required by statute. Several members questioned the General Assembly's motivation and rationale for requiring districts to provide liability insurance for certified employees. However, LSAC approved the regulation.

**Action Taken:** Chair Fletcher asked for a motion to approve 702 KAR 3:330, Liability Insurance Regulation recommended by the Office of Finance and Operations. The motion was made by David Raleigh; seconded by Russ Tilford. The motion passed unanimously to approved 702 KAR 3:330, Liability Insurance Regulation by roll call vote.

**Follow-Up Required:** Following the Local Superintendents Advisory Council (LSAC) meeting with the Kentucky Department of Education's Interim Commissioner Robin Fields Kinney and staff, LSAC Chair Robbie Fletcher presented approval of 702 KAR 3:330, Liability Insurance Regulation to the members of the Kentucky Board of Education.

**Agenda Item:** Approval of continuation and amendments to 705 KAR 4:231, general program standards for secondary career and technical education programs.

**Presenters:** Beth Hargis, Associate Commissioner, and Regan Satterwhite, Policy Advisor, Office of Career and Technical Education

**Summary of Discussion:** Hargis provided an overview of the proposed revisions. Chair Fletcher asked Hargis and Satterwhite to confirm that there were no fiscal increases associated with the amendments and they confirmed. Chair Fletcher then asked if any of the amendments went over and above the requirements of the statute (Perkins requirements) to which Satterwhite responded that there are no additional requirements above the federal guidelines included in the proposed amendment.

**Action Taken:** Chair Fletcher asked for a motion to approve the continuation and amendments to 705 KAR 4:231, general program standards for secondary career and technical education programs. The motion for approval was made by Mike Borchers and seconded by Tom Cochran. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

**Follow-up Required:** Following the Local Superintendents Advisory Council (LSAC) meeting with the Kentucky Department of Education's Interim Commissioner Robin Fields Kinney and staff, LSAC Chair Robbie Fletcher presented approval of the continuation and amendments to 705 KAR 4:231, general program standards for secondary career and technical education programs to the members of the Kentucky Board of Education.

**Agenda Item:** Search for a New Commissioner: Advisory Council Member Feedback

**Presenter:** Patrice McCrary, member of the Kentucky Board of Education.

**Summary of Discussion:** Patrice McCrary asked the members of LSAC two questions and requested feedback.

**Question 1: What are some qualities you would like in Kentucky's next commissioner?**

**Question 2: What should the new commissioner focus on in their first year?**

**Action Taken:** McCrary thanked LSAC for their feedback and expressed deep appreciation for their work in their school districts and across the Commonwealth.

**Follow-up Required:** Following the Local Superintendents Advisory Council meeting with the Kentucky Department of Education's Interim Commissioner Robin Fields Kinney and staff, KBE member McCrary will provide LSAC with search recommendations for the next commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Education to the rest of the members of the Kentucky Board of Education.