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KENTUCKY BOARD OF EDUCATION
ANNUAL RETREAT
AUGUST 4, 2021
MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order

Chair Young welcomed members, everyone viewing the meeting remotely, and to those viewing in person here in Frankfort to the August 4th Retreat Meeting

II. Roll Call

III. Welcome and Team Building Exercise- KBE Chair Lu Young, Ed.D.

The board members, Commissioner Glass, and Lieutenant Governor Coleman joined in a Jenga style team building exercise relating to the barriers in education and practical solutions (bridges) to eliminate those barriers.

IV. A Focus on Equity

KDE Deputy Commissioner and Chief Equity Officer Thomas Woods-Tucker, Ph.D. presented an update on KDE Equity Initiatives followed by KDE Division Director Veda Stewart who spoke to the group about the updates on the Kentucky Academy for Equity in Teaching.

V. KDE Chief Performance Officer Karen Dodd, Center for Innovation in Education (CIEs) Partners Paul Leather, Doannie Tran and Gretchen Morgan spoke to group about the Kentucky's Coalition for Advancing Education Initiatives.

VI. Lunch (No business to be conducted.)

Chair Young announced that due to a possible exposure to COVID-19 of someone who tested positive; we took an extended recess. We have followed all protocols and out of caution we are now in a virtual setting for the remainder of the meeting today.

VII. KDE Director of Government Relations Chuck Truesdell discussed the KBE Legislative Priorities
Chuck Truesdell and the KBE members went over legislative priorities related to Education and discussed potential legislative items for the next session which begins January 2022.

VIII. KDE Associate Commissioner Robin Kinney and KDE Division Director Karen Wirth presented the board with information on the 2022-2024 Additional Budget Requests
The board members discussed many different scopes of priorities they may like to integrate into the 2022-2024 Additional Budget Requests.

IX. Kentucky Board of Education Goals for 2020-2021

Chair Young requested another called meeting to further dedicate and discuss the goals of the KBE. However, Chair Young did read through goals and members gave in-depth discussion on each item listed.

X. Adjournment

Thanks to everyone present today. It was a very productive meeting. We will reschedule the groups that we missed in a follow up meeting. Chair Young asked for a motion to adjourn. Alvis Johnson made motion to adjourn, seconded by Joann Adams. The meeting was adjourned unanimously by a roll call vote.