The Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) held its special meeting on Friday, June 12, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. ET virtually and at 300 Sower Blvd., 5th Floor State Board Room 514, in Frankfort, Kentucky. The board conducted the following business:

I. Call to order

Chair Young called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. ET.

II. Roll call

Chair Young asked for a roll call of members. The following members were present: JoAnn Adams, Claire Batt, Holly Bloodworth, Mike Bowling, Alvis Johnson, Cody Pauley Johnson, Patrice McCrany, Sharon Porter Robinson, Lee Todd, Lu Young, Lt. Governor Jacqueline Coleman, CPE President Aaron Thompson and Allison Slone.

All member were present.

KBE Executive Director Jennifer Fraker stated a quorum was present.

Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-243 and a memorandum issued by the Finance and Administration Cabinet dated March 16, 2020, and in an effort to prevent the spread of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), the KBE met utilizing a video teleconference. Furthermore, members of the public were not be permitted to attend the meeting in person, but were encouraged to view the meeting via the KDE’s Media Portal. Accordingly, Chair Young announced that the meeting still must comply with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act. Chair Young reminded KBE members to ensure their video is streaming and that they can be seen throughout the duration of the meeting. Chair Young also informed the KBE members that for any items that required a vote, a roll call vote was necessary to record the vote of each board member.

III. Closed Session Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(f) to Review Individual Applications for the Commissioner of Education Position and Discussion Which May Lead to the Appointment of the Next Commissioner of Education

Chair Young asked for a motion to go into closed session for such a purpose. Alvis Johnson made the motion and Joann Adams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Adjournment of Closed Session Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(f)
Chair Young asked for a motion to return to open session. Holly Bloodworth made the motion and Cody Pauley Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Discussion and Action on Next Steps in Selecting a Commissioner of Education

Since the board did not take any action in closed session, Chair Young asked for a motion to direct Greenwood/Asher and Associates to conduct reference checks on the six candidates as identified by individual KBE members. Patrice McCrary made the motion and Holly Bloodworth seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

VI. Adjournment

Lee Todd motioned to adjourn the meeting. Cody Pauley Johnson seconded the motion and it was approved by a unanimous roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.