

**KANSAS POSTSECONDARY
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY
MEETING**

A September 29, 2022, meeting of the Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA) was held at the Kansas Board of Regents office, 1000 SW Jackson, suite 520, Topeka, Kansas and virtually via ZOOM.

Members Present

Ray Frederick	Tiffany Anderson
Keith Humphrey	Mark Hess, via ZOOM
Debra Mikulka	Mike Beene
Mike Johnson	Rita Johnson
Eddie Estes	Beth Fultz
Rita Johnson	

Others Present

Butler Community College
Flint Hills Technical College
Fort Scott Community College
Kansas Association of Community College Trustees
Kansas Board of EMS
Manhattan Area Technical College
Neosho County Community College
Pratt Community College

Kansas Board of Regents Staff Present

Scott Smathers, via ZOOM	Susanna Lee
April Henry, via ZOOM	Lisa Beck
Sue Grosdidier	Elaine Frisbie
Vera Brown	Blake Flanders
Eric Tincher	Laura Leite
Charmine Chambers	Tobias Wood
Hector Martinez	Tim Peterson
Susan Henry	

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Frederick at 10:00A.M. Chair Frederick called for a moment of silence in remembrance of people in Florida affected by the recent hurricane.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Frederick called for a motion to approve the minutes from the August 25, 2022, and September 14, 2022, meetings.

Motion: Member Estes moved to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2022, meeting. Following a second by Member Mikulka, the motion carried.

REPORTS

Introductions

Fort Scott Community College President Johnston introduced their new Vice President of Workforce Development, Kris Mengarelli. Chair Frederick introduced new Board Staff General Counsel John Yeary,

and welcomed new institution presidents, President Randy Smith of Cowley Community College, and President Bruce Moses of Allen County Community College. Chair Frederick introduced new TEA member, Kansas Department of Education Interim Director, Beth Fultz.

Chair's Report

Chair Frederick reported that on September 15th he met with Washburn Institute of Technology Dean Strohschein, and on September 23rd he met with Neosho County Community College President Inbody and attended the ribbon cutting for the Mitchell Career and Technology Center. He thanked both presidents for their passion for their community and students.

Member Liaison Reports

Chair Frederick asked if any TEA members had reports on their activities to share.

Member Estes reported that on September 30th there will be a ground-breaking ceremony of the new Hilmar Cheese Company plant in Dodge City. He added that Dodge City Community College has been working closely with the company to assist in providing trained staff, and the success of the plant could result in numerous additional dairy farms in the area. He reported that he attended the 100th anniversary celebration at Cowley Community College and toured their facility. He reported that the Workforce Development legislative committee is meeting today and reminded members that the Mid America Workforce Summit is scheduled for January 18-19, 2023.

Member Beene thanked Neosho Community College President Inbody for the invitation to the opening of the Mitchell Career and Technology Center and congratulated them on their new indoor sports practice facility. He expressed appreciation to Fort Scott Community College, as they recently launched a Workforce AID project for commercial truck driving.

Member M. Johnson reminded members that Barton and Pratt Community Colleges have established a nursing partnership that is running well, and Barton Community College will be holding an open house for their new carpentry and plumbing programs next week.

Member Anderson reported that USD501 had record numbers of students enroll at Washburn Tech, and industry credentialing is increasing. The district has been able to assess barriers, such as transportation, and this year will be providing a survey and will report to members on that data. She reported that a new principal was appointed at Highland Park High School and hopes to utilize the Washburn Tech East more fully. She expressed appreciation to Allen County Community College for granting online credit for almost all the T-CALC classes taken through the T-CALC Innovation Center, and thanked institutions for K-12 partnerships.

Vice President for Workforce Development Report

Chair Frederick called on Vice President Smathers to provide members with a Workforce Development report. Vice President Smathers thanked the community college presidents for the opportunity to meet with them a few weeks ago. He shared with members that Vice President Frisbie shared with him that the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) has some scholarship funding available for students in certain programs such as civil engineering, construction technology, engineering technology, and transportation operations. The application will be on the KBOR website, however KDOT will be administering the program. Vice President Smathers reminded members that he sent them the twentieth-day enrollment summary, noting that while technical college enrollment has increased, the system is down one percent. He added that this trend includes the impact from the pandemic. He informed members that Board staff are out visiting the colleges for both adult education and Perkins and reminded members that October 3rd is the Workforce Innovation Conference in Lawrence.

Report from the Community Colleges

Chair Frederick called upon Garden City Community College President Ruda to provide members with a report from the community colleges.

Report from the Technical Colleges

Chair Frederick called upon Manhattan Area Technical College President Genandt to provide members with a report from the technical colleges.

CONSENT AGENDA

Program and Curriculum Committee

New Program

- Butler Community College: Advance Emergency Medical Technician (51.0904)

Promise Act

- Butler Community College: Advance Emergency Medical Technician (51.0904)

Excel in CTE Fees

- Garden City Community College: Medical Assistant (51.0801)

Chair Frederick called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items from the Technical Program and Curriculum Committee.

Motion: Member M. Johnson moved to approve the Consent Agenda items. Following a second by Member R. Johnson, the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

Budget and Finance Committee

Extraordinary Cost Review

Chair Frederick informed members that he is postponing discussion on this agenda item until the November 18, 2022, TEA Meeting, to allow institutions the opportunity to review and confirm their data that they previously provided to Board staff.

OTHER MATTERS

Integrating Academics

Chair Frederick call on Associate Director Leite to provide members with information on Integrating Academics. Associate Director Leite explained that through the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) and the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA), grant funds are focused on the implementation of contextualized academic instruction in career technical education programs. These Perkins supplemental grant funds support implementation of strategies which result in the completion of degree and certificate programs. She informed members that there were six applicants, and five awards. She provided members with the list of grant awards and the projects for which the grant funds are applied. Associate Director Leite explained that there were \$250,000 available for grants, of which approximately \$95,000 was awarded.

Board of Regents Unified State Appropriation Request

Chair Frederick called on Vice President Frisbie to provide members with information regarding the Board of Regents Unified State Appropriation Request. Vice President Frisbie referred members to the materials in their meeting packet regarding the appropriations request, along with the calendar that is followed for the state's budget process. She explained that in the fall, the request to the Governor's budget office and to legislative staff will be submitted. The Board decided at its last meeting to adopt the entirety of the

requests that were submitted to them, and with the state budget faring well, it is hoped that the Board's advocacy will be successful. She explained that the request is focusing on topics that the Board is promoting across the academic programs to benefit students, associating dollars to different topics, as well as funding for the two-year institutions and Washburn University. She informed members that in January, the Governor's budget will launch, and the legislature will return to Topeka. Vice President Frisbie summarized that this appropriation request is asking for over \$250 million, in addition to the \$1 billion appropriation.

Board of Regents Goals AY23 (2022-2023)

Chair Frederick called on Vice President Smathers to provide members with the Board of Regents goals for AY23. Vice President Smathers directed members to the list of Board goals in the meeting materials, and highlighted details of the first three goals as they impact the two-year colleges as well as the universities.

Technical Education Authority Goals for AY 23

Chair Frederick asked Vice President Smathers to lead discussion regarding the TEA goals for the upcoming year. Vice President Smathers provided members with the TEA goals from AY 2022 and members were encouraged to inform Board Staff of other goals they would like to achieve for AY 2023. After gathering input, Board staff compiled the proposed TEA goals and proposed committee goal assignments for AY 23 for member discussion. Members expressed that they would like to add the word "expanding" for apprenticeships to Goal #6, to read "Work with Commerce in developing and expanding an apprenticeship model", and they would appreciate a presentation from Shonda Atwater with the Kansas Department of Commerce regarding apprenticeship programs. Chair Frederick asked the community college and technical college representatives for input, and they responded with their concerns regarding non-credit training for business and industry and how to record it and receive resources for that customized training. Vice President Smathers replied that the data system did have non-credit reporting previously and at the colleges request it was removed as they felt it was inconsistently utilized. He added that this reporting could be added back to the data reporting system if the institutions request it. He also explained that the Workforce AID program through the Kansas Department of Commerce is a program that pays for half of the customized training offered for companies at colleges, and the other half is paid by the business. Heather Morgan from KACCT informed members that she will be testifying to the Legislative Workforce Committee after this meeting regarding the amount of non-credit training being delivered relative to economic projects coming into the state and expressing support for Workforce AID. Members requested the addition of Goal #10, "Based on input from the community and technical colleges, determine the best way to record participation, promote awareness, and emphasize the value of customized training that is occurring at the institutions". Manhattan Area Technical College President Genandt suggested that the TEA ask the institutions to form a task force to submit input for Goal #10.

Motion: Following discussion, Member Beene moved to accept the TEA goals for AY 23, with the edit to Goal #6 to read "Work with Commerce in developing and expanding an apprenticeship model", and the addition of Goal #10 "Based on input from the community and technical colleges, determine the best way to record participation, promote awareness, and emphasize the value of customized training that is occurring at the institutions", as well as the committee goals as presented. Following a second by Member Anderson, the motion carried.

Excel in CTE Fee Spreadsheet

Chair Frederick asked Vice President Smathers to share the Excel in CTE Fee spreadsheet. Vice President Smathers informed members that the spreadsheet was sent to them as well as the institution presidents. He explained it is hoped that the spreadsheet can be used by the institutions to compare their fees to those of their peer institutions. He informed members that the process of collecting the Excel in CTE fees data for the upcoming year has started, and Director Henry added that Board staff would be happy to assist the institutions with questions they may have or additional training they may need as they submit their data.

NEXT MEETING REMINDER

Chair Frederick reminded members that the next meeting is a regularly scheduled conference call meeting on October 27, 2022, at 10:00 A.M

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Chair Frederick adjourned the meeting at 11:28 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by:
Susan Henry, Executive Assistant