The Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA) met virtually on December 21, 2023 via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Chair Keith Humphrey at 10:00 A.M. Proper notice was given according to law.

MEMBERS PRESENT:  
Keith Humphrey, Chair  
Ray Frederick, Vice Chair  
Tiffany Anderson  
Mark Hess  
Cindy Hoover  
Debra Mikulka  
David Reist  
Curtis Sneden  
Todd Zimmer  
Mike Beene  
Natalie Clark  
Angela White

APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
Member Sneden moved to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2023, meeting and following a second by Member Hoover, the motion carried.

INTRODUCTIONS  
Chair Humphrey introduced and welcomed new KBOR Interim Vice President for Workforce Development, Rita Johnson.

REPORTS  
REPORT FROM THE CHAIR  
None.

MEMBER LIASON REPORTS  
None.

REPORT FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
Interim Vice President Johnson reported on the Workforce Development team’s activities. She reported that the Excel in CTE fee collections process was reopened for institutions to provide fee updates which should be available for TEA review at the January meeting. In addition, the Institutional Calculated State Share report, (formerly known as the GAP Report) will also be presented at the January meeting. She reported that staff sent out surveys and has received some responses from business and industry representatives for two program alignment projects; are currently reviewing program eligibility for Promise Act funding for each institution as required by statute; have completed two on-site Methods of Administration (MOA) monitoring visits and have scheduled two additional visits for the spring semester; and issued a reminder that the Follow Up collection will open on January 2, 2024 for institutions to begin providing employment/placement and industry-recognized credential information on 2023 students for K-TIP and other reporting requests. She also reported that all federal reports for Adult Education have been submitted ahead of schedule and staff continues meeting with core partners in developing a new four-year Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) State Plan; as well as partnering with KC Digital
Drive to assist learners in Adult Education programs in determining eligibility and signing up for Affordable Connectivity program funding. Staff will also be attending the Advance Integrated Education Training and Digital Resilience in the American Workforce (DRAW) federal training in Washington, DC in mid-January.

REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Garden City Community College President Ruda provided members with a report on the activities of the community colleges.

REPORT FROM THE TECHNICAL COLLEGES
Salina Area Technical College President Nichols provided members with a report on the activities of the technical colleges.

OTHER MATTERS

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
Members received a Legislative update from Director of Government Relations, Adam York. His report included a brief outlook of items for discussion in the upcoming fiscal year. He reported that the interim legislative session has concluded with numerous special committees surfacing to make recommendations on topics for the next legislative session beginning January 8th, and that the Governor will give the State of the State address on January 10th, followed by the transmission of the Governor’s budget to the Legislature on January 11th. He provided a brief summary of a list of non-budgetary items approved by the Board of Regents that Board staff will pursue for support in the upcoming session.

MICRO-INTERNSHIPS
Members received an overview of the Kansas Micro-Internships Program from Senior Project Director Peterson. He gave a brief history of the program and provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting partnerships, funding, and student successes.

DISTRIBUTIONS FOR FY2024 STATE SAFETY FUNDS
Associate Director Chambers presented members with the FY 2024 State Safety Fund distributions. She explained that these distributions have already been paid by KBOR, due to distribution responsibility per statute, and information in the meeting packet is for member information.

K-TIP HIGHLIGHTS
Members received a report on K-TIP Highlights from Associate Director Chambers. She provided members with a brief historical overview of the report and reminded members that there is a portal on the Kansas Board of Regents website where this data is accessible. She explained how to interpret the highlights relative to Kansas Department of Labor data, including high demand occupations, high wage occupations, competitive wages, and occupational projections, as well as correlation to local and statewide needs assessments, and practical uses for this data, inviting input from members regarding the type of data provided and the format of the report.

NEXT MEETING REMINDER
Chair Humphrey reminded members that the next regularly scheduled TEA meeting will be held at the KBOR offices on January 25, 2024 at 10:00 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT
Chair Humphrey adjourned the meeting at 11:42 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by:
Susan Henry, Executive Assistant