

**Postsecondary Technical Education Authority**

**AGENDA**

Kansas Board of Regents

1000 SW Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka, KS

**10:00 AM – September 28, 2023**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

- A. Approve Previous Minutes (September 19, 2023; August 31, 2023)

Vice Chair Frederick

**II. REPORTS**

- A. Introductions  
B. Chair's Report  
C. Member Liaison Reports  
D. Vice President for Workforce Development Report  
E. Report from the Community Colleges  
F. Report from the Technical Colleges

Vice Chair Frederick  
Vice Chair Frederick  
TEA Members  
Vice President Smathers  
President Ruda  
President Genandt

**III. OTHER MATTERS**

- A. Legislative Update  
B. Board of Regents Unified State Appropriation Request  
C. Board of Regents Goals AY 24 (2023-2024)  
D. Excel in CTE Fee Training/Collection

Vice President Frisbie  
Vice President Frisbie  
Vice President Smathers  
Associate Director Chambers

**IV. NEXT MEETING REMINDER (October 26, 2023)**

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

**KANSAS POSTSECONDARY  
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY  
MEETING**

The August 31, 2023, meeting of the Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA) was called to order by Chair Keith Humphrey at 10:00 A.M. The meeting was held in the Board Office located in the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 S.W. Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka. Proper notice was given according to law.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Keith Humphrey, Chair  
Ray Frederick, Vice Chair  
Natalie Clark  
Eddie Estes  
Cindy Hoover, via Zoom  
Debra Mikulka  
David Reist  
Curtis Sneden

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Frederick moved to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2023, meeting and, following a second by Member Estes, the motion carried.

**INTRODUCTIONS**

None.

**REPORTS**

**REPORT FROM THE CHAIR**

Chair Humphrey reported to members that in July, he attended the Kansas Technical College Presidents' Retreat in Emporia. He reported that this month he met with President Schoon at Cowley Community College (CCC) in Arkansas City and toured the campus. He congratulated the institution on their progress building a 32,000 square foot Career Technical Education Center which will benefit the South-Central Kansas region. He informed members that there is a presidential inauguration reception for CCC President Schoon on September 7, 2023.

**MEMBER LIASON REPORTS**

Member Sneden reported that in July, he visited Manhattan Area Technical College and thanked President Genandt for an excellent overview of their program expansion plans. He reported that he met with President Daugherty at Flint Hills Technical College and toured their welding facility, noting their hope for expansions as well.

Member Estes reported that in October, Dodge City Community College (DCCC) will be holding a Career Exploration Day, noting that last year approximately 700 students attended the event. He recently met with DCCC President Nolte and toured the CDL program facilities, meeting instructors and students of the program.

Member Frederick reported that he also attended the Kansas Technical College Presidents' Retreat in Emporia and thanked the presidents for sharing their vision and plans, as well as for providing feedback regarding TEA member support of the technical colleges. Member Frederick recognized Member Beene for his presentation at the retreat.

Member Clark reported that Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) and Board staff attended Perkins training sessions provided in June and August. She informed members that Board staff have been invited to provide KSDE with program alignment presentations that most closely relate to the seven career clusters they will begin reviewing in the fall. She thanked President File of Hutchinson Community College for giving her a tour of their automation program.

#### **REPORT FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

Vice President Smathers welcomed members to the first TEA meeting of the academic year. He reported that over the summer, Board staff have been working on Perkins and Adult Education national grants, ensuring compliance with federal requirements, and providing statewide training. He reported that the Board held its retreat over the summer and additional information will follow in the meeting. He reported that he also attended the Kansas Technical College President's Retreat and expressed appreciation for the invitation to attend. He reported that Board staff have held multiple meetings with businesses, including Stormont Vail Medical Center, Mission Health, Trane, and Health Resources and Services Administration, which provides scholarships to students. He reported that Board staff continues working on the State's broadband efforts, implementation of healthcare recommendations, and participating in new Board member orientation. He reported that Board staff attended multiple high school equivalency graduations and presented and served on a panel at the Department of Education Conference in Wisconsin, as well as the National GED Conference in New York. He informed members that Associate Director Grosdidier was selected as the 2023 National GED Administrator, congratulating Associate Director Grosdidier for her efforts and national recognition.

#### **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**

Manhattan Area Technical College President Genandt provided members with a report on the activities of the technical colleges.

#### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Chair Humphrey asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Member Sneden so moved, and following a second by Member Reist, the motion carried.

#### **Technical Program and Curriculum Committee**

Program Alignment for Construction Technology (46.0201)

New Program

Seward County Community College: Maintenance Technician (46.0401)

Promise Act

Seward County Community College: Maintenance Technician (46.0401)

Excel in CTE Fees

Seward County Community College: Maintenance Technician (46.0401)

CA1 New Program Proposal Updates

**DISCUSSION AGENDA****Advocacy and Marketing Committee****Act On Proposed TEA Member Institution Assignments**

Chair Humphrey recognized Advocacy and Marketing Committee Chair Estes to present information regarding the proposed TEA member institution assignments. Committee Chair Estes directed members to the proposed assignments as provided in their meeting materials.

Chair Humphrey called for a motion to approve the TEA member institution assignments as presented. Member Frederick so moved and, following a second by Member Reist, the motion carried.

**Budget and Finance Committee****Act On Extraordinary Costs Project Recommendation**

Chair Humphrey recognized Budget and Finance Committee Chair Frederick to present the Extraordinary Costs Project recommendation. Committee Chair Frederick asked Associate Director Chambers to assist in providing members with an update on the project. She directed members to the Extraordinary Costs proposal in the meeting materials and shared that Board staff met with representatives of the community and technical colleges in April regarding Extraordinary Costs and the four elements of the cost model, and followed up in May and in August. She informed members that this review round will involve approximately 35 programs in the healthcare discipline. She gave a summary of the timeline for the data gathering process and informed members that it is hoped that all data from the institutions will be received by May 1, 2024, which would then be presented to the TEA in the fall.

Chair Humphrey called for a motion to approve the Extraordinary Costs Project recommendation as presented. Member Mikulka so moved and, following a second by Member Reist, the motion carried.

**OTHER MATTERS****Act On Special September TEA Meeting**

Chair Humphrey informed members that a special virtual TEA meeting must be scheduled to approve Excel in CTE funding distributions in compliance with the legislative proviso, which requires the Board office to provide Excel in CTE funding to participating colleges within the first 60 days of the academic school year. He noted that Board staff recommends setting the special meeting for September 19<sup>th</sup> to allow the TEA to forward its recommendation to the Board for review at their September 20<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

Following discussion, Chair Humphrey called for a motion to schedule a special meeting on September 19, 2023, at 11:00 A.M. for review of the Excel in CTE funding distributions in compliance with the legislative proviso. Member Reist so moved and following a second by Member Mikulka, the motion carried.

**Act On TEA December Meeting**

Due to the Board schedule change, the TEA discussed rescheduling its December meeting time on December 21, 2023 to 10:00 A.M. for consistency.

Chair Humphrey called for a motion to reschedule the December 21, 2023 virtual meeting time to 10:00 A.M. Member Sneden so moved and, following a second by Member Clark, the motion carried.

TEA Committees 2023-2024

Chair Humphrey presented the committee assignments as included in the meeting packet. He thanked the Committee chairs for their leadership and all members for their willingness to serve.

Travel Policy

Director Pottebaum provided members with information and procedures regarding the Board travel policy, travel reimbursement and salary compensation.

KBOR Retreat Summary

Vice President Smathers informed members that the Board of Regents held their retreat in Olathe in July, attended by Regents, representatives from both the community colleges and technical colleges, and Board staff. A number of campuses were visited, and items of discussion included reviewing the strategic pillars of affordability, reviewing national trends in higher education, enhancing the economic development and alignment in partnership with the Kansas Department of Commerce, student success, budget requests, non-budgetary legislative priorities, and board goals in general, which they have not yet set. Additional discussions included the possibility of utilizing college and career navigators, the development of a statewide transfer associate degree in nursing, focus on the talent pipeline areas that align with the State's areas of growth, and identifying alternative credentials that are valued by business and industry, and determining the best practices for delivering these credentials.

Excel in CTE Online Update

Associate Director Chambers identified items recently added to the Board website including courses posted that are available to be taken online by high school students for Excel in CTE, and the AY 2024 Excel in CTE Fees as useful tools for students, parents and high school counselors looking for opportunities for high school students to take college courses. She explained that institution participation in posting the online classes is voluntary, the website is updated as information is received, and there is no deadline to post classes. Member discussion included questions about measuring the effectiveness of the website postings, such as measuring hits on to the Board website and marketing to drive interest. Associate Director Chambers informed members that the AY 2022 K-TIP report has also been posted under the K-TIP link on the website. She added that highlights regarding the latest K-TIP will be provided after the information is received regarding high-wage and high-demand occupations.

SB 123 Credential List

Vice President Smathers presented the SB 123 Credential List, which was included in the meeting materials. He explained that this list is identical to list the TEA approved the list last year for Excel in CTE credentials, except for the addition of the Certified Medication Aid certification. He explained that the list is expected to expand based on feedback received from students and institutions, and an updated list will be presented to the TEA for review and approval in the late spring of next year, per the statute that was passed in April. KSDE is also involved in gathering data for the SB 123 Credential list and Member Clark shared a brief summary of this data collection process.

KBOR and WFD Group Structure

Vice President Smathers provided members with an organizational chart for Executive Board Staff and Workforce Development staff, and provided a summary regarding various staff responsibilities.

WFD Group Responsibilities

Vice President Smathers provided members with a brief, general overview of the responsibilities that fall within the Workforce Development unit.

TEA Responsibilities

Vice President Smathers gave a brief overview of the TEA responsibilities and activities as defined by statute and by the Board. The list of responsibilities is provided to members annually.

Act On TEA Goals for AY 2024

Vice President Smathers presented the proposed TEA goals for AY 2024. He directed members to the lists provided in the meeting materials of the TEA goals from AY 2023 as well as the proposed list for AY 2024, and noted that the lists are similar, explaining that some goals are on-going, and some goals have been modified from input received from committee discussion.

Following discussion, Chair Humphrey called for a motion to approve the AY 2024 TEA goals as presented. Member Frederick so moved and, following a second by Member Sneden, the motion carried.

**NEXT MEETING REMINDER**

Chair Humphrey reminded members that there will be a special TEA meeting held via Zoom on September 19, 2023 at 11:00 A.M., and that the next regularly scheduled TEA meeting will be held via Zoom on September 28, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Humphrey adjourned the meeting at 11:31 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Susan Henry, Executive Assistant

**KANSAS POSTSECONDARY  
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY  
SPECIAL MEETING**

The September 19, 2023 special virtual meeting of the Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA) was called to order by Chair Humphrey at 11:00 A.M. The meeting was held via ZOOM. Proper notice was given according to law.

**Members Present**

Ray Frederick  
Keith Humphrey  
Debra Mikulka  
Eddie Estes  
Tiffany Anderson  
Mike Beene

Cindy Hoover  
David Reist  
Natalie Clark  
Secretary Amber Shultz

**Others Present**

Jim Genandt, Manhattan Area Technical College  
Greg Nichols, Salina Area Technical College

Amber Knoettgen, Cloud County Community College

**DISCUSSION AGENDA**

**Excel in CTE Distributions**

Chair Humphrey called on Vice President Frisbie to lead the FY2024 Excel in Career Technical Education Initiative (Excel in CTE), Accelerating Opportunity: Kansas (AO-K Proviso) and Postsecondary Education Performance-Based Incentives Fund (GED Accelerator) distributions discussion. Vice President Frisbie reminded members that last year, a similar process was followed based on the proviso that was attached to the funding from the legislature and that changed the process for distributing the allocation for Excel in CTE funds, requiring that funds be paid to the institutions within 60 days of the earliest class start date. Vice President Frisbie directed members to the tables in their meeting packet for each of the three Excel in CTE distributions, explaining the processes for the net distributions to institutions.

**Excel in Career Technical Education**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>FY 2024 Allocation</b>
Allen County Community College	\$ 831,931
Barton County Community College	444,147
Butler Community College	752,474
Cloud County Community College	605,672
Coffeyville Community College	1,315,167
Colby Community College	243,937
Cowley County Community College	1,281,385
Dodge City Community College	952,921
Flint Hills Technical College	2,972,265
Fort Scott Community College	1,121,034
Garden City Community College	767,273
Highland Community College	2,226,948
Hutchinson Community College	2,808,890
Independence Community College	139,605
Johnson County Community College	2,151,530
Kansas City Kansas Community College	3,464,011
Labette Community College	550,148
Manhattan Area Technical College	942,541
Neosho County Community College	1,842,795
North Central Kansas Technical College	606,927
Northwest Kansas Technical College	685,233
Pratt Community College	588,796
Salina Area Technical College	1,250,278
Seward County Community College	930,372
Washburn University Institute of Technology	5,202,080
Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology	7,810,411
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$42,488,771</b>



**Accelerating Opportunity: Kansas**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>FY 2024 Allocation</b>
Allen County Community College	\$ --
Barton County Community College	99,072
Butler Community College	35,703
Cloud County Community College	--
Coffeyville Community College	--
Colby Community College	64,877
Cowley County Community College	7,942
Dodge City Community College	--
Flint Hills Technical College	--
Fort Scott Community College	1,780
Garden City Community College	22,712
Highland Community College	31,417
Hutchinson Community College	11,234
Independence Community College	--
Johnson County Community College	23,044
Kansas City Kansas Community College	32,719
Labette Community College	--
Manhattan Area Technical College	--
Neosho County Community College	--
North Central Kansas Technical College	--
Northwest Kansas Technical College	--
Pratt Community College	--
Salina Area Technical College	15,035
Seward County Community College	19,488
Washburn University Institute of Technology	111,740
Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology	218,298
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$695,061</b>

**Postsecondary Education Performance-Based Incentives Fund – GED Accelerator**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>FY 2024 Calculations</b>	<b>FY 2024 Pro-Rated Allocation</b>
Allen County Community College	\$ --	\$ --
Barton County Community College	24,720	18,442
Butler Community College	2,030	1,514
Cloud County Community College	--	--
Coffeyville Community College	--	--
Colby Community College	9,520	7,102
Cowley County Community College	--	--
Dodge City Community College	--	--
Flint Hills Technical College	--	--
Fort Scott Community College	--	--
Garden City Community College	10,380	7,774
Highland Community College	2,010	1,500
Hutchinson Community College	4,680	3,491
Independence Community College	--	--
Johnson County Community College	9,870	7,363
Kansas City Kansas Community College	--	--
Labette Community College	--	--
Manhattan Area Technical College	--	--
Neosho County Community College	--	--
North Central Kansas Technical College	--	--
Northwest Kansas Technical College	--	--
Pratt Community College	--	--
Salina Area Technical College	8,520	6,356
Seward County Community College	1,170	873
Washburn University Institute of Technology	8,020	5,983
Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology	2,010	1,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$82,930</b>	<b>\$61,868</b>

	AY 2022		AY 2023		HC Percent Change	SCH Percent Change
	Unduplicated Headcount (HC)	Student Credit Hours (SCH)	Unduplicated Headcount (HC)	Student Credit Hours (SCH)		
Allen County Community College	479	1,891	627	2,506	30.9%	32.5%
Barton County Community College	231	1,211	284	1,353	22.9%	11.7%
Butler Community College	311	2,009	320	2,218	2.9%	10.4%
Cloud County Community College	218	1,076	310	1,619	42.2%	50.5%
Coffeyville Community College	249	3,412	232	3,359	-6.8%	-1.6%
Colby Community College	171	781	167	737	-2.3%	-5.6%
Cowley County Community College	249	2,783	300	3,296	20.5%	18.4%
Dodge City Community College	148	1,702	227	2,688	53.4%	57.9%
Flint Hills Technical College	1,714	6,188	2,418	7,567	41.1%	22.3%
Fort Scott Community College	265	2,399	340	3,106	28.3%	29.5%
Garden City Community College	246	2,007	300	2,198	22.0%	9.5%
Highland Community College	710	5,787	744	6,136	4.8%	6.0%
Hutchinson Community College	1,057	7,270	1,039	7,318	-1.7%	0.7%
Independence Community College	149	582	69	395	-53.7%	-32.1%
Johnson County Community College	1,114	6,563	1,005	6,437	-9.8%	-1.9%
Kansas City Kansas Community College	738	8,653	753	9,079	2.0%	4.9%
Labette Community College	261	1,470	269	1,494	3.1%	1.6%
Manhattan Area Technical College	399	2,472	437	2,617	9.5%	5.9%
Neosho County Community College	440	5,122	482	5,034	9.5%	-1.7%
North Central Kansas Technical College	216	1,178	262	1,512	21.3%	28.4%
Northwest Kansas Technical College	210	2,137	179	1,916	-14.8%	-10.3%
Pratt Community College	194	1,163	242	1,589	24.7%	36.6%
Salina Area Technical College	392	3,569	353	3,351	-9.9%	-6.1%
Seward County Community College	379	2,566	384	2,677	1.3%	4.3%
Washburn University Institute of Technology	773	13,442	776	13,772	0.4%	2.5%
Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sci. and Tech.	2,399	18,077	2,745	21,543	14.4%	19.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,712</b>	<b>105,510</b>	<b>15,264</b>	<b>115,517</b>	<b>11.3%</b>	<b>9.5%</b>

Chair Humphrey called for a motion to approve the Excel in Career Technical Education Initiative, (Excel in CTE), Accelerating Opportunity: Kansas (AO-K Proviso) and Postsecondary Education Performance-Based Incentives Fund (GED Accelerator) distributions as presented, with recommendation for approval by the Board of Regents. Member Shultz so moved, and Member Mikulka seconded the motion. The motion carried by roll call vote.

NEXT MEETING REMINDER

Chair Humphrey reminded members that the next regularly scheduled TEA meeting will be held virtually via Zoom on September 28, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.

Chair Humphrey adjourned the meeting at 11:12 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Susan Henry, Executive Assistant

**III. Legislative Update**  
**A.**

**Elaine Frisbie,  
Vice President of Finance  
and Administration**

- *Community and State Benefit – Non-monetary  
Benefits for Individuals and Society*

**Intent**

Vice President Elaine Frisbie will provide the TEA with a Legislative update.

**III. Receive Update on Board of Regents’ Unified State  
B. Appropriation FY 2025 Request**

**Elaine Frisbie,  
VP, Finance & Administration**

**Summary**

*The Kansas Higher Education Coordination Act requires the Board of Regents to develop a unified request for state appropriations for public postsecondary education. The Board approved the unified request at the September Board meeting for submission in accordance with the state budget process and staff will provide an update on the recommendations put forth by the Board.*

**Background**

The Higher Education Coordination Act provides that the Kansas Board of Regents shall “serve as the representative of the public postsecondary educational system before the Governor and the Kansas Legislature” (K.S.A. 74-3202c(b)(1)). This statute provides the foundation for an approach to state funding that reflects a system-wide focus on requesting and advocating for state investment in public postsecondary education.

**Unified Budget Preparation Calendar**

April Board Meeting	Board’s first read of capital improvement requests
May Board Meeting	Board acts on capital improvement requests for submission July 1
June Board Meeting	Board receives institution and sector-specific requests
Early July	Division of the Budget issues allocations and budget instructions for state agencies
Summer Board Retreat	Board conducts budget workshop to discuss requests from across the system and starts to indicate preference for inclusion in the budget request
September Board Meeting	Board finalizes unified budget request
October 1	Board’s unified budget request submitted

For the current year, the Board endorsed a supplemental request for adult education. The federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) assists job seekers with accessing employment, education, training, and support services they need to meet employers’ requirements and to succeed in the labor market. The Board of Regents receives an annual federal grant under Title II – the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA) program, administered by the U.S. Department of Education to serve the nearly one in ten Kansas adults who lack a high school diploma. The federal Title II appropriation was increased from \$4,355,935 to \$4,682,951, requiring that the state match be increased by \$110,000.

For FY 2025, the Board agreed with the TEA recommends that state aid for tiered and non-tiered courses and Excel in CTE be fully funded. The Board also stated that the Promise Scholarship Act should be fully funded. For all other items recommended by the Board, please refer to the table on the following page.

		<b>Board of Regents Request</b>
<b>System</b>	Increase State Investment in Kansas Nursing Initiative	\$2,000,000
	Rural Kansas Education Initiative	\$5,000,000
	College Navigators to Improve Kansas' College Going Rate	\$1,253,200
	Concurrent Enrollment Diploma Plus Pilot Program	\$9,000,000
	Expand Open Educational Resource Opportunities to Additional Students	\$200,000
	Promote and Support FAFSA Completion Events	\$20,000
	State Investment in Micro-Internship Expansion Efforts	\$500,000
<b>All Universities</b>	Need Based Aid for Students – Bring Kansas to Regional States' Average	\$14,150,000
	Continue Prior Investment in Student Success and Retention	\$9,537,700
	Continue Prior Support of Cybersecurity & IT Infrastructure	\$15,000,000
	Mandatory Utility and Contract Cost Increases – Half of Inflationary Impact	\$7,000,000
	New Regional University Stabilization	\$9,000,000
<b>University-Specific Items</b>	KSU Debt Service for Biosecurity Research Institute	\$2,200,000
	KSU University-Wide Water Institute	\$5,000,000
	KSU Digital Ag/Data Analytics Institute	\$2,000,000
	KSU Salina Campus Central Immersive Training Hub	\$2,000,000
	WSU Expand Student Affordability, Retention, and Workforce Dev't	\$5,000,000
	ESU Phase Out/Separation Costs	\$5,000,000
	ESU Student Affordability	\$8,100,000
	ESU Student Housing Debt Avoidance	\$4,600,000
	FHSU Professional Workforce Dev't Ed (alternative credentials - 5 years recurring)	\$750,000
	FHSU Telehealth certification for mental health providers (increase program capacity)	\$250,000
	FHSU Western Kansas Nursing Workforce Development - Operating Portion	\$400,000
	FHSU Assistantships to support local/regional businesses and schools	\$220,000
<b>KBOR</b>	KBOR Staff Members for Board's Strategic Agenda/New Legislative Programs	\$418,000
	KBOR Include Board of Regents Office in State Employee Market Adjustments	TBD
<b>Colleges/Adult Ed</b>	Career Technical Education Capital Outlay State Aid	\$5,000,000
	Apprenticeships, Business/Industry Partnerships	\$14,300,000
	IT/Cybersecurity for Two-Year Colleges	\$6,500,000
	Technical College Operating Grants	\$10,500,000
	Adult Education: Increase State Investment to Meet Demand	\$1,110,000

<b>University Capital Projects</b>	Universities - Continue Prior Investment in Capital Renewal Initiative	\$20,000,000
	Universities - Continue Prior Investment in Facility Demolition	\$10,000,000
	KUMC Construct Cancer Research Facility (\$1:\$1 Match)	\$75,000,000
	KSU Ag Innovation Initiative (\$1:\$1 match)	\$25,000,000
	KSU Vet Med Animal Diagnostic Laboratory – Planning for a new state facility	\$250,000
	PSU American Center for READing Facility Improvements	\$2,000,000
	PSU Science Lab Upgrades (\$1:\$1 Match)	\$5,000,000
	FHSU Western Kansas Nursing Workforce Development - Facility Expansion	\$15,000,000
	Washburn University Manufacturing Training Center	\$3,000,000
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$301,258,900</b>

**III. Board of Regents Goals AY 24**  
**C.**

**Scott Smathers,**  
**Vice President for**  
**Workforce Development**

- *Community and State Benefit – Non-monetary  
Benefits for Individuals and Society*

**Summary**

*During their September meeting, the Kansas Board of Regents (Board) reviewed and approved the Board Goals for the upcoming year. This information will be reviewed with Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA).*

**Background**

The Board of Regents Goals for the upcoming year have been provided for the TEA's information. Please note that it is still possible that some of the wording within the Goals may change slightly.





## KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS

### Goals

1. Strengthen early college programs with an emphasis on financing, common entrance requirements, expansion of concurrent enrollment opportunities, and deployment of College and Career Navigators.
2. Develop a statewide transfer associate degree in nursing to meet workforce demands in the state and facilitate on-time graduation for students. The system will identify at least 60 credit hours that a) complete the requirements for the transfer associate degree at community colleges; and b) transfer and apply toward satisfying the baccalaureate degree course requirements at the six state universities.
3. Enhance the partnership and alignment with the Kansas Department of Commerce in order to grow the state's economy. Institutions will focus on talent pipeline areas that align with the state's areas of growth and recruit and retain faculty with research expertise to support these industries.
4. Incorporate best practices in literacy education into teacher preparation programs. The practices will ensure that graduates are assessed and prepared to leverage the science of reading in teaching methods through intentional and specific course delivery.
5. Identify alternative credentials that are valued by business and industry and determine best practices for delivering these credentials and preparing students for success in the workplace, including an expansion of applied learning opportunities.
6. Conduct a program review utilizing the framework developed and approved in 2023 and make recommendations to optimize program delivery.
7. Continue to monitor implementation of the Student Success Playbooks at state universities.

### Follow-up

1. Monitor and optimize reverse program transfer strategies to ensure students acquire credentials that they have earned.
2. Continue development of strategic plan metrics and incorporate newly adopted metrics into the dashboard.
3. Receive follow-up reports from state universities on the student athlete healthcare task force and monitor implementation of recommendations.
4. Receive reports from state universities on the adoption and implementation of their individual faculty workload policies.
5. Receive updates on the delivery of student mental healthcare services at state universities.

**III. Excel in Career Technical Education (CTE) Fee**  
**D. Training**

**Charmine Chambers,**  
**Associate Director for**  
**Workforce Development**

➤ *Talent Pipeline – Special Initiatives*

**Summary**

*To enhance the talent pipeline for Kansas business and industry, the Legislature enacted the Excel in CTE initiative to provide state-financed colleges tuition for high school students in postsecondary technical education courses. Per statute (K.S.A. 72-3810), the Kansas Board of Regents shall establish general guidelines for tuition and fee schedules in career technical education courses and programs. The Excel in CTE tuition and fee schedule of every technical education program shall be subject to annual approval.*

**Background**

K.S.A 72-3810 states:

“All tuition and fees charged for career technical education by any board shall be in such amounts as are authorized by rules and regulations adopted by the state board which shall establish general guidelines for tuition and fee schedules in career technical education courses and programs. The tuition and fee schedule of every career technical education program shall be subject to annual approval of the state board. A current complete schedule of tuition and fees for each career technical education course and program of each board as approved by the state board shall be maintained on file in the office of the state board and shall be open for public inspection at any reasonable time.”

"Fees means those charges assessed against a student by a community college, technical college or the institute of technology for student services, such as health clinics, athletic activities and technology services, or for books, supplies or other materials necessary for a particular course or program, the expense of which is not covered by tuition.”

"Tuition means those charges assessed against a student by a community college, technical college or the institute of technology on a per credit hour, per course or per term basis, and that are charged to cover the general expense of providing instructional services.”

As per the Postsecondary Technical Education Authority’s (TEA) request, on Thursday, December 19, 2019, representatives from community colleges, technical colleges, and Board staff met to set guidelines for fees associated with Excel in CTE courses and programs. As a result of this meeting, agreed upon allowable fees include items/services students take with them and industry-specific fees required for entrance/acceptance into the program.

Allowable fees include:

- Uniforms
- Personal protective equipment
- Background checks
- Fingerprints
- Drug tests
- E-subscriptions/E-books
- Textbooks
- Certification tests
- Membership fees for certifying bodies
- Liability insurance (example: student malpractice)
- Graduation fees (if applicable)

Unallowable fees include:

- Student fees (general)
- Technology fees
- Health fees
- Consumable project materials
- Program or Institution Application fees
- Lab Fees
- Equipment / tool maintenance, usage, replacement
- Rental (such as tools, books, or uniform/gear)
- Student kits

- Transcript fees (if applicable)
- Student Software Licenses
- Professional Equipment/Kits/Tools students purchase
- Accuplacer or other placement tests
- Student ID
- Student organization memberships (such as Skills USA)
- Any other fee not on the allowable list

Non-tiered courses - per statute (K.S.A. 71-1802) a technical program is defined as a “program of study comprised of a sequence of tiered technical courses and non-tiered courses, which is identified by the state board as a technical program for funding purposes.” For this reason, students enrolled in technical programs may take non-tiered courses and are responsible for all associated tuition and fees.

### **For Informational Purposes**

Technical assistance is provided annually by the Workforce Development team to assist institutions with the data collection of the Excel in CTE fees requiring TEA approval. This year, the data collection is open between September 25, 2023, to October 31, 2023. KBOR staff scheduled a webinar for October 4, 2023, for institutions.