

**APPROVED MINUTES  
KANSAS POSTSECONDARY  
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY  
MEETING**

The August 24, 2017 meeting of the Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA) was held at the Kansas Board of Regents, 1000 SW Jackson Street, Suite 520, Topeka, Kansas.

**Members Present**

Ray Frederick Jr., Chair	Debbie Gann
Rita Johnson	Eddie Estes
Nick Jordan/ (Mike Beene)	Mike Johnson
Randy Watson/ (Stacy Smith)	Bruce Akin

**Members Absent**

Joe Glassman  
Dong Quach  
Lana Gordon

**Others Represented**

Hutchinson Community College	Dodge City Community College
Johnson County Community College	Cowley Community College
North Central Kansas Technical College	Seward County Community College
Colby Community College	Salina Area Technical College
Manhattan Area Technical College	Kansas City Kansas Community College
Pratt Community College	Fort Scott Community College
Butler County Community College	Neosho County Community College

**Kansas Board of Regents Staff Present**

Scott Smathers	Connie Beene
April Henry	Charmine Chambers
Laura Leite	Pam Greene
Susan Henry	Susan Hancock
Sue Grosdidier	Tobias Wood

The meeting was called to order by Chair Frederick at 10:02 A.M.

**AMENDMENT TO AGENDA**

Chair Frederick informed the TEA that Independence Community College President Dan Barwick is unable to attend the meeting today. Butler Community College President Kim Krull will be presenting the report from the community colleges and attending the Strategic Planning meeting in his place. Item VI. of the Agenda, which was to be a report from President Barwick, is stricken from today's meeting.

**Motion:** Member M. Johnson moved to approve the changes to the Agenda. Following a second by Member Akin, the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion:** Member Estes moved to approve the minutes of May 25, 2017. Following a second by Member R. Johnson, the motion carried.

## **REPORTS**

### Introductions

Chair Frederick introduced new TEA Members Stacy Smith for Randy Watson from Kansas Department of Education and Mike Beene for Nick Jordan from Kansas Department of Commerce.

Chair Frederick recognized KBOR Senior Director for Career Technical and Adult Education Beene to introduce KBOR's new High School Equivalency State Administrator, Sue Grosdidier.

### Chair's Report

Chair Frederick thanked KBOR staff for their ongoing commitment. Chair Frederick reported that in June he presented a TEA update to the Board of Regents. In late June, Vice President Smathers met with Chair Frederick to discuss TEA appointments, committee assignments and priorities, and they met again in early August to continue discussions. On August 10, 2017, Chair Frederick and Vice Chair Gann made a presentation to KBOR at their retreat. A summary of the retreat will be shared with members as part of today's agenda.

On July 28, 2017, Chair Frederick reported to the TEA that a news release recognized Member Mike Johnson, Barton Community College Board of Trustees Chair, as the recipient of the Western Regional Trustees Leadership Award by the Association of Community College Trustees.

### Member Liaison Reports

Member Estes reported that he met with Senator Roberts and his staff last week communicating concerns including Senate decisions on Carl Perkins funding this year. Member Estes shared that several companies and schools are participating October 12, 2017 in the high school Ag Career Day at the 3i Show, which is a great opportunity for students. Member Estes reminded members that the Workforce Summit is coming up in January,

Chair Frederick recognized Vice Chair Gann, who reported that earlier this month she attended the unveiling of a new mobile STEM lab at Wichita Area Technical College, which is a joint venture with Westar Energy, Spirit AeroSystems, Koch Industries and Textron Aviation. The mobile lab will travel to schools across the state, targeting middle school and high school students, allowing them to have hands-on inter-active learning in high-demand technical fields.

Chair Frederick recognized Member Akin, who shared that on August 29, 2017, he will attend the opening of a new Lineman training facility in Wichita. This facility is a joint venture involving Westar Energy, Pratt Community College, Wichita Area Technical College and USD 259 in Wichita, and hopes to spark interest in students as they strive to develop a talent pipeline.

Chair Frederick asked Vice Chair Gann to share details of the Spirit AeroSystems internship program, that was modified this year to include high school students, at the urging of the Mayor of Wichita and Workforce Alliance. Students were paired with mentors for instruction and the program was a great

success in stirring interest and conversation in the community. They hope that the program will expand next year.

#### Vice President for Workforce Development Report

Vice President Smathers reported that he will visit the 2 year campuses again this year. Vice President Smathers also shared that the KTIP report has been distributed for discussions in October. Perkins funding is in the Senate for approval and upon passing, a new state plan will be required. The Adult Ed RFPs were awarded in May and WIOA implementation has begun. Federal reports are due in mid-October. A Program Review Process Committee was formed to prepare a plan to speed up and standardize the process. The plan was just completed and is with the college Presidents for review and then will be forwarded to the TEA for approval. A Data Review Committee was formed in July, and their objective is to simplify and streamline data collection. Vice President Smathers did point out that there are numerous reports that are federally required, and while KBOR asks for them, its role is to assist colleges with these required reports. Hopefully colleges will see benefits from this committee's work next year.

#### Report from the Community Colleges

Chair Frederick recognized Butler Community College President Krull, standing in for Independence Community College President Barwick, who provided a report and update on activities from the community colleges including expanding technical programs in partnership with local businesses, expanding GED programs and revising curriculums. She also shared concerns regarding funding and restoring the 4% cut in funding.

#### Report from the Technical Colleges

Chair Frederick recognized North Central Kansas Technical College President Burks, standing in for Northwest Kansas Technical College President Schears, who provided a report and update on activities from the technical colleges including national recognition for top graduation and growth rates. He also shared concerns regarding funding and fully funding the model.

### **CONSIDERATION OF DISCUSSION AGENDA**

#### Budget and Finance Committee

##### State Innovative Technology Internship Grant

Chair Frederick recognized KBOR Senior Associate Director Leite to present the State Innovative Technology Internship Grant requests for approval by the TEA as follows:

\$1,000 Flint Hills Technical College for Instructor Deborah Illk

Project: Instructor will utilize grant funds to gain a more in-depth knowledge of dental lab procedures. This will allow the instructor to better teach skills required in the field, gain a deeper understanding of laboratory materials used in dentistry and learn alternative methods of laboratory procedures. The internship will also result in an expanded knowledge of the business aspect of a dental lab. The required business/industry match for this project will be met by a donation of training time. The internship will be completed at Butts Dental Lab in Emporia, KS.

**Motion:** Member Gann moved to approve the State Innovative Technology Internship Grant request by Flint Hills Technical College as presented by Associate Director Leite. Following a second by Member Akin, the motion carried.

### **OTHER MATTERS**

#### TEA Organizational Structure and Responsibilities

Chair Frederick recognized Vice President Smathers who shared the KBOR Workforce Development organization structure and staff responsibilities

#### Apprenticeship Program Discussion

Chair Frederick recognized Member R. Johnson to share the Technical Program and Curriculum Committee discussions. Committee Chair R. Johnson reported that on August 10, 2017, a small workgroup met at WATC including representatives from Cowley Community College, Hutchinson Community College, Manhattan Area Technical College, Wichita Area Technical College, Member Estes via conference call, KBOR staff Director Henry and Associate Director Chambers regarding Apprenticeship Programs and degrees. The group discussed how apprenticeships are different from internships and work study programs. The group reviewed and discussed guidelines from the Department of Labor and Department of Commerce on their standards for registered apprenticeships, as well as information provided by the Higher Learning Commission and US Department of Education on their approval guidelines. It was noted that there is a registered apprenticeship college consortium framework that higher education institutions can utilize to partner with registered apprenticeships to help those in a program attain a college degree. The group discussed the requirements and the framework and would support it going forward. The group made preliminary recommendations that include recommendation that KBOR should not approve or publish apprenticeship degrees for institutions that don't provide the specific technical content. HLC has issue with content not being delivered by institutions. The group also considered ways to improve the parameters of the A.A.S. in Technical studies and the potential use of another more generic type degree being the A.A.S. in Customized Corporate Studies as a way for institutions to collaborate with business and industry for more students to get a degree. The recommendations are with the Technical Program and Curriculum committee for review, and will be sent out for institution comment soon. Upon review of the institution comments, the committee will then forward their recommendation to the TEA at the October meeting.

#### Kansas Center for Career & Technical Education

Chair Frederick recognized Dr. Belcher with Pittsburg State University to present the Kansas Center for Career and Technical Education. Dr. Belcher delivered a PowerPoint presentation outlining the accomplishments of the Kansas Center for Career and Technical Education in supporting CTE programs in the state. The primary focus of the center is to further develop and support CTE teachers at both the secondary and post-secondary levels through resources, workshops, mentoring and coursework.

#### Kansas Board of Regents Retreat Summary

Chair Frederick and Vice Chair Gann gave a report on their attendance at the KBOR Retreat August 10, 2017. Chair Frederick reported that he believes TEA participation in the Retreat strengthened the relationship between the TEA and KBOR, and that KBOR expressed appreciation for the work of

community colleges and technical colleges, acknowledging their awareness of the skills gap in our state. KBOR expressed support on the concerns regarding funding and will be advocates for our institutions with the Legislature. Chair Frederick reported that he communicated the TEA priorities and strategies of this past year with KBOR. Vice Chair Gann agreed that the attendance was a positive experience and reported that discussions included further TEA assistance to KBOR in making recommendations. Vice President Smathers added that specific areas of TEA priorities shared with KBOR included the renewal of the Carl D. Perkins program and subsequent new state plan required upon its approval, the Military Articulation program with a new website for institution use, and the active reviewing of the program approval and data processes.

### **2017 – 2018 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Chair Frederick presented the 2017-2018 committee assignments. Chair Frederick thanked Member Gann for accepting the Chair position in the Budget and Finance Committee and Member R. Johnson for accepting the Chair position in the Technical Program and Curriculum Committee. Member Glassman was requested to serve as the Chair of the Advocacy and Marketing Committee and is checking on availability.

### **COLLEGE PRESENTATIONS**

Removed from the Agenda due to Independence Community College President Barwick absence.

### **2017-2018 MEETING CALENDAR**

Chair Frederick presented the 2017-2018 meeting calendar. Chair Frederick reminded that the next TEA meeting will be September 28, 2017 at 10:00 AM via conference call.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Member M. Johnson moved to adjourn the morning session of the TEA meeting. Following a second by Member R. Johnson, the motion carried. Chair Frederick reminded that the TEA Strategic Planning and Goals meeting will be held in the KBOR Kathy Rupp Conference Room following lunch at 12:10 PM. Chair Frederick adjourned the morning meeting at 11:34 AM.

### **CALL TO ORDER (Kathy Rupp Conference Room)**

Strategic Planning & Goals

Member Quach arrived at 12:30 PM

Member Akin left the meeting at 12:50 PM

Member Gann left the meeting at 2:00 PM

Chair Frederick called the Strategic Planning session to order at 12:12 PM. Chair Frederick requested that Vice President Smathers lead the discussions. Vice President Smathers provided a list of discussion items as well as a proposed Strategic Priority list and Workforce Development Goals for review. Input was heard from TEA members, Butler Community College President Krull, North Central Kansas Technical College President Burks, Salina Area Technical College President Nichols and Pratt Community College

President Calvert. Vice President Smathers informed TEA members that he would prepare a summarization of the discussions for their review.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Frederick adjourned the afternoon session of the TEA meeting at 2:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Susan Henry, Executive Assistant