

**KANSAS POSTSECONDARY
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY
MEETING**

A virtual meeting of the Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA) was held via ZOOM on December 16, 2022.

Members Present

Ray Frederick
Debra Mikulka
Mike Johnson
Eddie Estes

Keith Humphrey
Mike Beene
Curtis Sneden

Rita Johnson

Others Present

Hutchinson Community College
Kansas Association of Community College Trustees
Manhattan Area Technical College

Kansas Board of Regents Staff Present

Scott Smathers
Sue Grosdidier
Vera Brown
Eric Tincher
Charmine Chambers
Hector Martinez
Susanna Lee
Elaine Frisbie

Laura Leite
Tobias Wood
Tim Peterson
Cindy Farrier
Matt Casey
Steve Funk
Susan Henry

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Frederick at 10:00A.M. Chair Frederick provided members with virtual meeting guidelines.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Frederick called for a motion to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2022 meeting.

Motion: Member Estes moved to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2022 meeting. Following a second by Member R. Johnson, the motion carried.

REPORTS

Introductions

Chair Frederick introduced new TEA member Curtis Sneden.

Chair's Report

Chair Frederick informed members that on December 8th he attended a meeting with Regent Cindy Lane in Topeka to share the TEA responsibilities and goals, as well as to discuss the TEA role in approving programs, program review, the alignment process, Excel in CTE programs and fees. On December 9th, he reported that he met with Senator Renee Erickson in Wichita, along with Vice President Smathers and Director Matt Casey, with similar discussions as were held with Regent Lane, but additionally, providing an update on the Extraordinary Costs discussions. On December 14th, he met with representatives from NC3 discussing the new partnership with the Russell, Kansas High School.

Member Liaison Reports

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

Member Estes commended the community and technical colleges on recent television commercials focusing on the upcoming semester. Chair Frederick asked Member Estes for an update on the status of the upcoming MidAmerica Workforce Summit, and Member Estes informed members there have been some challenges associated with the Summit affected by the pandemic that may result in the cancellation of the Summit, but he will keep members informed with a decision coming soon.

Member Mikulka commended community and technical colleges on prompt applications for the American Rescue Plan Act recovery funds and thanked the institutions for their efforts in making technical education in Kansas stronger.

Member Beene commented regarding the meeting of Chair Frederick and Regent Lane, asking for the most updated report from the Governor's Council on Education, on which Regent Lane is a member. Chair Frederick and Vice President Smathers responded that they would follow up on obtaining the current report for TEA members.

Vice President for Workforce Development Report

Chair Frederick called on Vice President Smathers to provide members with a Workforce Development report. Vice President Smathers informed members that if the Summit is cancelled, the TEA meeting that is scheduled on January 18th at the Summit, will be rescheduled to be held at the KBOR offices on January 26th, as there is a meeting of the Board on January 18th previously scheduled at the KBOR offices on January 18th. Vice President Smathers welcomed new TEA member Curtis Sneden. He reported that Board staff is working on Perkins and Adult Education federal reports which are due the January. He informed members that interviews are being held to hire an Associate Director, replacing Lisa Beck who retired in November, hoping to have a candidate selected in January. He informed members that he was invited to listen to a report from Butler Community College on student retention He reported that he and Adult Education Director Martinez met with the Department of Commerce broadband group, and that will also be meeting with the Governor's Education Council, along with Chair Frederick. He announced that the Board has approved two new TEA members to fill the vacancies due to the departure of Mike Johnson and Rita Johnson, whose terms were completed. He explained that David Reist, formally the President at Highland Community College before retiring, and Cindy Hoover, who is a Vice President for Spirit AeroSystems, will be joining the TEA at the January meeting. He reminded members that if they wish to attend the Mid America Workforce Summit on January 18th, please advise for registration.

Report from the Community Colleges

Chair Frederick called upon Hutchinson Community College President File 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

Program Alignment

Machining and Manufacturing Technology (48.0501)

New Programs

North Central Kansas Technical College: Powersports Technology (47.0606)

Northwest Kansas Technical College: Powersports Technology (47.0606)

Washburn Institute of Technology: Early Childhood Education (19.0709)

Promise Act

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Excel in CTE Fees

Northwest Kansas Technical College: Powersports Technology (47.0606)

Washburn Institute of Technology: Early Childhood Education (19.0709)

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

Motion: Member Beene moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as submitted by the Technical Program and Curriculum Committee. Following a second by Member M. Johnson, the motion carried by roll call vote. Member Mikulka abstained from the vote.

OTHER MATTERS

Legislative Update

Chair Frederick called on Director Casey to provide members with a legislative update. Director Casey gave a brief report to members on the recent activities of the Legislature. Director Casey shared that the House of Representatives leadership elections have concluded and provided members with the leadership results for various legislative positions, including Speaker of the House, Speaker Pro Tem, Minority Leader, Budget Chairs, and positions for key committees including the Education Committee. He informed members that the non-budgetary list of items for this coming session have been approved, including some of the budget provisos. He added that the Affiliation bill was pulled from the agenda pending discussions with the community and technical colleges. Director Casey reported that Legislators will be working on the budget and on a tax plan, shifting focus from new initiatives and one-time funding to directing payments to KPERS and saving funds in anticipation of smaller revenues in the future.

Build Something Now Promotion

Chair Frederick called on Senior Project Director Peterson to provide members with information on the Build Something Now promotion. Senior Project Director Peterson gave a brief recap of the Build Something Now campaign which was produced to help increase the awareness of Kansas CTE programs across the state. He explained that it began in 2020, broadcast via numerous cable networks, streaming venues, online display ads, an online search engine, and a CTE landing page, with links to the Board website. He added it was then updated to include the Promise Act Scholarship and is running from August of 2022 through January 2023. He provided members with the statistical successes of this outreach campaign and informed members that updated versions of the CTE outreach campaign may be run on a routine basis.

Strada Grant Presentation

Senior Project Director Peterson shared a PowerPoint presentation showcasing the Kansas Micro-Internships (KMI) program, providing background on the program, supportive data, program features and goals, student success stories and future for growing program participation in Kansas. He informed members that grant funding was awarded from The DeBruce Foundation in Kansas City, as well as a \$400,000 grant by the Strada Education Network, to further expand the program. He informed members that four community colleges and three technical colleges will participate in the first year of the Strada KMI Workplace Learning grant to engage their respective students and local employers more fully with

the program. He added the grant also includes funding for a marketing campaign and for the other Kansas community and technical colleges to participate in the second year of the project, utilizing the program as a recruiting device and matching Kansas students with Kansas employers and keeping talent in Kansas.

KTIP Portal

Chair Frederick called on Associate Director Chambers provide members with information on the Academic Year 2021 Kansas Training Information Program new portal format for review of updated reporting prepared by Board Staff, Data, Research and Planning Team. She gave a brief overview of the data included, and a brief tour of the portal navigation.

Departing TEA Member Recognition

Chair Frederick thanked departing TEA members Mike Johnson and Rita Johnson for their service acknowledging that this was their last TEA meeting.

NEXT MEETING REMINDER

Chair Frederick reminded members that the next regularly scheduled TEA meeting will be in-person at the Mid America Workforce Summit at the Hotel Topeka at City Center on January 18, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. He informed members that in the event the Summit is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, the TEA will meet in-person at the KBOR offices on the alternative date January 26, 2023, beginning 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