POSTSECONDARY TECHNICAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY (TEA)
FY 2018 SUMMARY REPORT

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The purpose of this report is to fulfill the reporting requirements of the Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA) per K.S.A. 74-32,402(a)(9).

The Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority (TEA) was initially created and empowered in the 2007 Legislative Session in Sections 1 through 4 of House Bill 2556 (codified at K.S.A. 74-32,401 through 74-32,404) and was last renewed for two years via 2017 House Bill 2212. The TEA consists of twelve members with nine members appointed from around the state and one ex officio member assigned from the Departments of Education, Commerce, and Labor. The TEA’s purpose is to work under the auspices of the Kansas Board of Regents and to make recommendations to the Board regarding the coordination, statewide planning and improvements to the postsecondary technical education system. Expenditures associated with the TEA’s effort for FY 2018 were $19,047 which were essentially even with FY 2017 ($19,076). The preponderance of the expenditures for the TEA (78%) involves travel and stipends to the official meetings, events, and to visit the institutions involved in providing technical education.

In FY 2018, the full TEA met seven times with five face-to-face meetings held in Topeka and two meetings held via conference call. In addition to the regular TEA meetings, separate committee meetings (Budget & Finance, Advocacy & Marketing, and Programs & Curriculum) were held by phone on an as needed basis. As part of the TEA’s responsibilities, during the past year, the TEA:

- Evaluated fourteen Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs and recommended eight for approval;
- Reviewed and recommended grants for the Kansas Nursing Initiative, Kansas Innovative Technology & Internship Program, Motorcycle Safety Fund, Commercial Driver’s License Training program, and the Jobs & Innovative Industry Skills Training program;
- Streamlined the program approval process and continued evaluating new and existing program approval guidelines to ensure consistency and understanding;
- Received a report from the Kansas Center for Career & Technical Education organization;
- Reviewed and approved the 2017 Kansas Training Information Program (KTIP) report;
- Reviewed federal Carl Perkins and Adult Education funding distributions and program results;
- Reviewed and reduced the reporting requirements for institutions;
- Advocated for Excel in CTE funding and two-year college funding restoration;
- Received a report on the Get AHEAD initiative;
- Reviewed the GAP analysis and impact of recentering state funding among the institutions;
- Received Workforce Aid (Aligned with Industry Demand) and ICE³ updates from Commerce;
- Updated the TEA responsibility summary;
- Approved the Electrical Technology amended program alignment;
- Reviewed the 2018-2019 Excel in CTE Qualifying Credentials;
- Reviewed Outcome Metrics results; and
- Reviewed and recommended the two-year college funding distributions for FY 2019.

The TEA continues to work on a variety of programs and new initiatives in support of career and technical education programs throughout Kansas.

Please contact the Kansas Board of Regents office with any questions regarding the TEA.