

## State Board of Education Work Session

Thursday, November 3, 2022

Lincoln Marriott Cornhusker Hotel, Yankee Hill III, 333 South 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, NE 68508

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Publicized notice of the business meeting was given by posting notice on the Department's website and emailed to news media requesting notification, which gave the date, time, and location of the meeting.

### STATE BOARD WORK SESSION, Thursday, November 2, 2022, 2:00 p.m.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

President Koch Johns called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.

##### 1.1 Roll Call

Roll Call showed the following attendance:

Robin Stevens  
Deborah Neary

Patsy Koch Johns  
Kirk Penner

Patti Gubbels

Commissioner Blomstedt was absent due to a national meeting he is attending. Deputy Commissioner Deborah Frison was designated by the Commissioner to represent the Commissioner.

Absent: Maureen Nickels, Lisa Fricke, Jacquelyn Morrison

1.2. President Koch Johns led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3. President Koch Johns announced the placement of the Open Meetings Act.

1.4. Meeting Protocol

Deputy Commissioner Frison welcomed members of the public.

#### 2. BOARD TRAINING

The State Board engaged in a work session with Board Member Patti Gubbels providing a report from the Ad Hoc Committee on Board Policy Manual Revision.

President Koch Johns called for a break at 2:53 p.m. The meeting resumed at 3:04 p.m.

#### 3. ADJOURNMENT

President Koch Johns adjourned the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

The State Board of Education will reconvene Friday, November 4, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at Lincoln Marriott Cornhusker Hotel, Yankee Hill III, 333 South 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, NE 68508.

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING, Friday, November 4, 2022, 9:00 a.m.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER** – President Patsy Koch Johns called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

1.1 Roll Call

Roll Call showed the following attendance:

Patti Gubbels	Robin Stevens	Patsy Koch Johns
Lisa Fricke	Kirk Penner	Deborah Neary
Jacquelyn Morrison		

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Absent: Maureen Nickels

1.2. President Koch Johns led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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1.4. Meeting Protocol

Deputy Commissioner Frison asked members of the public to be considerate of the proceedings of the meeting.

**2. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

2.1. Omaha North’s STEM Program and Pathways Program

Jacquelyn Morrison introduced Michelle Porter, Curriculum Specialist: Academic Lead; Amanda Gutierrez, Curriculum Specialist; Kobe McPhaull, Computer Science and Technology Academy Student; Jaily Gonzalez, Engineering and Design Academy Student; Sofia Acosta, Science and Research Academy Student who presented to the Board on the Omaha North’s STEM Program and Pathways Program.

Jacquelyn Morrison left the meeting at 9:36 a.m., returned 9:38 a.m.

**4. PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

President Koch Johns delivered the President’s Report.

**3. COMMISSIONER’S REPORT**

3.1. Agenda Overview and Consent Agenda Process

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Deputy Commissioner Frison provided an overview of the Consent Agenda process

3.1.A. No Consent Agenda Items were requested to be removed.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Patti Gubbels, second by Robin Stevens to approve the Consent Agenda.

Lisa Fricke:	Yes
Patsy Koch Johns:	Yes
Deborah Neary:	Yes

Maureen Nickels: Absent  
Robin Stevens: Yes  
Patti Gubbels: Yes  
Jacquelyn Morrison: Yes  
Kirk Penner: Yes

The motion passed.

## 6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1. **Executive Committee** – No report.

6.2. **Budget and Finance Committee** – Kirk Penner, Vice Chair, reported on the meeting of the Committee.

6.2.A. Monthly Board Travel Expense Report

There was no further discussion on this item

6.2.B. Review In-State Travel Authorization Reports

There was no further discussion on this item.

6.2.C Action Item: Authorize the Commissioner to enter into a contract with a selected qualified vendor to migrate the ADVISER System from the Nebraska Education Service Unit Coordinating Council (ESUCC) network to Microsoft Azure cloud platform

Motion by Kirk Penner, second by Lisa Fricke authorize the Commissioner to enter into a contract with a selected qualified vendor to migrate the ADVISER System from the Nebraska Education Service Unit Coordinating Council (ESUCC) network to Microsoft Azure cloud platform.

Lisa Fricke: Yes  
Patsy Koch Johns: Yes  
Deborah Neary: Yes  
Maureen Nickels: Absent  
Robin Stevens: Yes  
Patti Gubbels: Yes  
Jacquelyn Morrison: Yes  
Kirk Penner: Yes

The motion passed.

6.2.D. Action Item: Authorize the Commissioner to approve a continuation grant to the Nebraska Children and Families Foundation to continue the Nurturing Healthy Behaviors/Rooted in Relationships program

Motion by Kirk Penner, second by Robin Stevens to approve a continuation grant to the Nebraska Children and Families Foundation to continue the Nurturing Healthy Behaviors/Rooted in Relationships program.

Lisa Fricke: Yes  
Patsy Koch Johns: Yes  
Deborah Neary: Yes  
Maureen Nickels: Absent  
Robin Stevens: Yes  
Patti Gubbels: Yes

Jacquelyn Morrison: Yes  
Kirk Penner Yes

The motion passed.

- 6.2.E. Action Item: Authorize the Commissioner to contract with the ESUCC to support schools and districts in implementing high-quality instructional materials

Motion by Kirk Penner, second by Patti Gubbels to contract with the ESUCC to support schools and districts in implementing high-quality instructional materials.

Lisa Fricke: Yes  
Patsy Koch Johns: Yes  
Deborah Neary: Yes  
Maureen Nickels: Absent  
Robin Stevens: Yes  
Patti Gubbels: Yes  
Jacquelyn Morrison: Yes  
Kirk Penner Yes

The motion passed.

- 6.3. **Planning and Evaluation Committee** – Deborah Neary, Vice Chair, reported on the meeting of the Committee.

- 6.3.A. Discussion Item: Adopt the annual plan for the Nebraska statewide assessment and reporting system

There was no further discussion on this item.

- 6.4. **Rules and Regulations Committee** – Lisa Fricke, Vice Chair reported on the meeting of the Committee.

- 6.4.A. Report on Rules

There is no action on rules.

- 6.4.B. Discussion Item: State Board’s Legislative and Regulatory Priorities

There was no further discussion on this item.

7. **SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 7.1. Report from the Ad Hoc Search Committee – Patti Gubbels reported on the meeting of the Committee.

8. **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

(NONE)

9. **INFORMATION ITEMS AND REPORTS**

- 9.1. President Koch Johns referred Board Members to review information items and reports.

9.4. Written Public Comment

Submitted written public comments are linked through SPARQ in Board Agenda item number 9.4., SBOE Written Public Comment November 2022.

10. **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Patti Gubbels noted the Board Member representation at the NASB conference.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

President Koch Johns adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled business meeting of the State Board of Education will be held on Friday, December 2, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in Lincoln, Nebraska.