

KACTE Board of Directors Minutes
Holiday Inn University Plaza, Bowling Green, Kentucky
September 12-13, 2024

President Christi Hack called the KACTE Board of Directors' meeting to order at 8 p.m. EST, 7 p.m. CST. Hack welcomed the group and reviewed the plan for the meeting. Refer to the Board Study Package for the written reports covered at the meeting.

Present were President Christi Hack; President-Elect Angela Gott; Treasurer Dexter Knight; Secretary Sharon Collins; Past-president Josh Mitcham; Agriculture Vice-Presidents Thomas Poole; Rebecca Hawk and Shane Norris; Family & Consumer Sciences Vice-President Susan Dews; Health Vice-President Joi Jones; Teacher Educator Vice-President Kelsey Chadwick; Engineering and Technology Vice-President Andy Stephenson; Awards Chair Laura Spiegelhalter; Constitution and Bylaws Chair Steve Stubbs; Historian Chair Sarah Raikes; Legislative Liaison Kiley Whitaker; Leadership Co-Chairs J.T. Payne and Katy Disney; Communications Chair Lauren Ervin; Department of Education Administrative Liaison Tom Thompson; KCTCS Administrative Liaison Kendrah Pearson; Postsecondary Student Liaison Emily Pike; Executive Director Mike Stone; and Assistant Executive Director Kris Stone.

Absent were Administration Vice-President Jerri Rowland; Marketing Vice-President Andrea Hampton; Trade and Industry Vice-President Greg Ash; Scholarship Chair Ryan Deal; Resolutions Chair Tina Excellent; Membership Chair Sarah Tanner.

Present by proxy ACTE Region II Representative Kelli Norman. Proxy assigned to Kiley Whitaker. Present by proxy Guidance Vice-President Mitzi Holland. Proxy assigned to Tom Thompson. Present by proxy Business Education Vice-President Dana Baker. Proxy assigned to J.T. Payne.

Guests present: Jeff Busick

A quorum was present.

Jones moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mitchum. Motion carried.

Poole moved to approve the minutes from the KACTE board meeting of April 24. Seconded by Norris. Motion carried.

President Hack thanked the board for being present as well as sending in the board reports in a timely fashion. Looking forward to the year ahead.

Gott presented her remarks and thanked everyone for being on the board.

Mitchum appreciates the reports that were sent. He is glad the Fellows program is in place this year.

Busick reported the interim session is halfway complete. Interim session begins in June through the end of November or first of December. Both the House and Senate meet regarding issues that have come up since the last session. Amendment 2 is a school choice proposal and will be on the November ballot. Advertisements for support have been started. A "Yes" vote will not be a favorable position. From his perspective, Amendment 2 is likely to fail. The Kentucky General Assembly will be going into the short session starting the first week of January. Leadership and committee chairs will be elected at the end of November. There will be more change on the Democratic side. House Education Committee Chair James Tipton may be changing to another committee. Rep. Bobby McCool will most likely stay on his committee. Senate leadership will change due to retirements. There will be a vote on the reduction of income tax, to be reduced by ½% in January 2026. A DEI definition bill will most likely be passed this session. There were questions regarding Amendment 2, and the position that may need to be taken as an organization.

Whitaker reported that House Bill 499 was passed, but the budget bill had different language and that is how money is being divided among schools. The full bill is not being fully implemented. In the 2025 school year, the centers can apply for a grant. Centers that have not been funded within the past two years may apply for the grant. There is conversation around Senate Bill 499 as well as the budget bill. In the current legislative session, there will most likely be no changes. There should be a CTE calendar of events published for the state. It would be great to have a statewide CTE day at schools for the legislators. It would be difficult for February since the legislators are in session. Whitaker invited everyone to attend CTE day at JCPS on October 17. KACTE in partnership with OCTE needs to develop a survey to collect data regarding Senate Bill 499.

Mitchum moved to adopt Whitaker's advocacy report. Stephenson seconded. Motion carried.

Payne reported that the Fellows retreat will be on September 13 and 14th, 2024. There are twelve fellows that will be participating. They are to be part of a KACTE committee - Awards, Advocacy, Membership, and Scholarship. They will have monthly calls and members of the board are welcome to participate.

Tanner's membership report was read. Pearson recommended KACTE membership be embedded in another format such as summer program fees. Pike reported that Instagram should be incorporated on a larger scale to grow a larger following of younger teachers and students in Post-secondary institutions. Hack reported her district uses "Thrillshare". Pearson suggested "Linkedin" for the professional community.

Dews reported from Family and Consumer Sciences that area VP's or program consultants nominate someone we could reach out to and encourage them to apply for a board position. It was also suggested NTI teachers receive a discounted membership for two years as opposed to one year since they are not able to fully utilize the Summer Program.

Knight reported the investment account is at \$184,914. This helps to provide grant monies and scholarships. We also have good liquidity in the bank account. We need to move \$2500 to the KACTE budget strategic line item. Knight moved to move the \$2500 from the investment account to the KACTE budget strategic line item. Seconded by Mitchum. Motion carried.

K. Stone reported there will be more money moved into the investment account.

M. Stone reported three people have applied for stipend to attend ACTE Region II.

K. Stone reported a preliminary projected net of \$54,000 was gained from the summer program to plan for 2025.

Thompson reported there was a data error regarding CTE funding, but that error has been resolved. The interim joint received calls of cuts from ATC. It was not spelled out in House Bill 6. There were some miscalculations and ATC's were out of the equation.

SJR179 - Eleven topics placed into five groups. Recommendations are being taken to the board and they will recommend what is going to the legislation. There is no Fire Science in Eastern Kentucky schools. KCTCS will have a symposium on November 17th. There are new programs in 3-D programming and AI.

Recessed at 8:58 p.m.

The morning session included Ron Johnson from WKU. He was recruited to lead the KACTE Strategic Planning Session.

Johnson prompted the board to Identify the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT). Identify the current condition and Clarify, Brainstorm, Plan, Anticipate, and Confirm.

KACTE board members were divided into groups of Advocacy, Board Capacity, Leadership, Membership, and Social Media/Marketing for the strategic planning.

Board discussion of strategic planning resulted in the revised plan focusing on three areas: advocacy, leadership and membership/benefits. Mitcham will update the plan text and present at the November Board meeting for adoption.

Two motions were passed during the strategy planning session.

Mitchum moved to change the formula for the profit sharing of the Meeting Place to reflect KACTE membership. Seconded by Gott. Whitaker suggested we collect data. Poole moved to table until the next scheduled meeting. Hawk seconded. Motion to table passed.

Mitchum moved to transfer \$1000 from the professional development reserve to pay for potential software needed to support Social Media outreach. Seconded by Knight. Motion passed.

It has been announced Mike and Kris Stone will be retiring from their positions as Executive Director and Assistant Executive Director. ACTE will be taking over the membership. Kris Stone will develop a step-by-step task list for the Summer Program. A draft procedures document will be presented at the January meeting. From the April meeting the board can draft a job description. At the summer program, it can be announced the positions are open. Interviews can be conducted and the new person(s) can start January 1, 2026. Mike and Kris will be available for consultation through July 2026.

Whitaker moved to adjourn at 2:40 p.m. Seconded by Jones.

Next meeting will be held virtually November 14, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. EST, 4:30 p.m. CST.

Respectfully submitted

Sharon Collins, KACTE Secretary