

**Kansas Board of Regents  
Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority  
1000 SW Jackson Street, Ste. 520  
Topeka, KS 66612**

**Kansas Postsecondary Technical  
Education Authority  
Special Meeting  
Conference Call  
September 15, 2021**

**APPROVED MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Tiffany Anderson Keith Humphrey  
Jason Cox Mike Johnson  
Eddie Estes Rita Johnson  
Ray Frederick Debra Mikulka  
Mark Hess Secretary Amber Shultz

**Others:** Barton Community College  
Butler Community College  
Cloud County Community College  
Coffeyville Community College  
Colby Community College  
Cowley Community College  
Dodge City Community College  
Flint Hills Technical College  
Ft. Scott Community College  
Garden City Community College  
Highland Community College  
Independence Community College  
Johnson County Community College  
KAACT  
Kansas State University Polytechnical College – Salina Campus  
Kearney & Associates  
Labette Community College  
Manhattan Area Technical College  
Northwest Kansas Technical College  
Pratt Community College  
Salina Area Technical College  
Washburn Tech  
WSU Tech

**KBOR Staff Present:** Scott Smathers April Henry  
Hector Martinez Samantha Christy-Dangermond  
Elaine Frisbie Kelly Oliver  
Cindy Farrier Charmine Chambers  
Lisa Beck Steve Funk  
Eric Tincher Karla Wiscombe  
Vera Brown Sue Grosdidier  
Susan Henry

**Call to Order**

Chair Frederick called the meeting to order at 3:32 PM. A quorum of committee members was present.

**Discussion Agenda**

Excel in CTE Distribution Proviso

Chair Frederick called on Vice President Frisbie to lead the FY 2022 Excel in Career Technical Education Initiative (Excel in CTE), Accelerating Opportunity: Kansas (AO-K Proviso) and Postsecondary Education Performance-

Based Incentives Fund (GED Accelerator) discussions. Vice President Frisbie directed members to the issue papers in their meeting packet which provided enrollment numbers by institution for the Excel in CTE Initiative 2021 academic year. She explained that last year’s enrollment was down approximately 10% and was down slightly less than 10% on credit hours. She further explained that due to the decrease in enrollments and credit hours, some reconciliation was required to be applied to the full year enrollment data received by special collections that were held last year. She reminded members that this special meeting is necessary for review to approve the distributions for academic year 2022 for the Excel in CTE Initiative, due to the new appropriation proviso that was added requiring that funds be paid to the institutions within 60 days of the earliest class start date. Vice President Frisbie directed members to the tables in their meeting packet for each of the three Excel in CTE distributions, including the required reconciliation adjustments, and resulting net distributions to institutions. She informed members that Board staff are requesting the TEA’s approval of these numbers with the caveat that if staff identifies mistakes, errors or omissions, permission is given to make corrections as needed, and then to advise the TEA of any corrections.

**Excel in Career Technical Education**

| <b>Institution</b>                     | <b>FY 2021 Reconciliation Adjustment</b> | <b>FY2022 Allocation</b> | <b>Net Distribution</b> |
|--|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Allen Community College                | \$4,245                                  | \$860,663                | \$864,908               |
| Barton Community College               | \$15,698                                 | \$412,450                | \$428,148               |
| Butler Community College               | (\$1,657)                                | \$793,991                | \$792,334               |
| Cloud County Community College         | (\$458)                                  | \$332,964                | \$332,506               |
| Coffeyville Community College          | \$6,183                                  | \$1,269,256              | \$1,275,439             |
| Colby Community College                | (\$229)                                  | \$245,069                | \$244,840               |
| Cowley Community College               | (\$1,491)                                | \$979,619                | \$978,128               |
| Dodge City Community College           | \$154,294                                | \$652,135                | \$806,429               |
| Flint Hills Technical College          | \$2,329                                  | \$2,017,997              | \$2,020,326             |
| F01i Scott Community College           | \$0                                      | \$724,608                | \$724,608               |
| Garden City Community College          | \$0                                      | \$459,408                | \$459,408               |
| Highland Community College             | \$8,583                                  | \$1,791,554              | \$1,800,137             |
| Hutchinson Community College           | \$21,047                                 | \$2,750,851              | \$2,771,898             |
| Independence Community College         | \$8,646                                  | \$219,217                | \$227,863               |
| Johnson County Community College       | \$8,069                                  | \$1,894,948              | \$1,903,017             |
| Kansas City Kansas Community College   | (\$17,299)                               | \$2,993,839              | \$2,976,540             |
| Labette Community College              | \$975                                    | \$593,955                | \$594,930               |
| Manhattan Area Technical College       | \$32,366                                 | \$631,122                | \$663,488               |
| Neosho County Community College        | \$10,795                                 | \$1,715,038              | \$1,725,833             |
| North Central Kansas Technical College | \$6,152                                  | \$551,094                | \$557,246               |
| Northwest Kansas Technical College     | \$0                                      | \$717,600                | \$717,600               |
| Pratt Community College                | \$0                                      | \$409,639                | \$409,639               |
| Salina Area Technical College          | (\$2,290)                                | \$1,288,803              | \$1,286,513             |
| Seward County Community College        | \$91,311                                 | \$1,026,488              | \$1,117,799             |
| Washburn Institute of Technology       | \$38,779                                 | \$5,453,618              | \$5,492,397             |
| WSU Campus of Applied Sci. and Tech.   | (\$39,011)                               | \$6,658,082              | \$6,619,071             |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>\$347,037</b>                         | <b>\$37,444,008</b>      | <b>\$37,791,045</b>     |

**Accelerating Opportunity: Kansas**

| <b>Institution</b>                     | <b>FY 2021<br/>Reconciliation<br/>Adjustment</b> | <b>FY 2022<br/>Allocation</b> | <b>Net<br/>Distribution</b> |
|--|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Allen Community College                | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Barton Community College               | \$0  | \$22,903                      | \$22,903                    |
| Butler Community College               | \$0  | \$12,365                      | \$12,365                    |
| Cloud County Community College         | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Coffeyville Community College          | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Colby Community College                | \$4,817  | \$113,724                     | \$118,541                   |
| Cowley Community College               | (\$864)  | \$99,277                      | \$98,413                    |
| Dodge City Community College           | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Flint Hills Technical College          | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Fort Scott Community College           | \$0  | \$8,589                       | \$8,589                     |
| Garden City Community College          | \$0  | \$8,200                       | \$8,200                     |
| Highland Community College             | \$22,722   | \$56,368                      | \$79,090                    |
| Hutchinson Community College           | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Independence Community College         | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Johnson County Community College       | \$0  | \$13,550                      | \$13,550                    |
| Kansas City Kansas Community College   | \$0  | \$28,840                      | \$28,840                    |
| Labette Community College              | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Manhattan Area Technical College       | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Neosho County Community College        | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| North Central Kansas Technical College | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Northwest Kansas Technical College     | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Pratt Community College                | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Salina Area Technical College          | \$2,061  | \$8,891                       | \$10,952                    |
| Seward County Community College        | \$0  | \$3,516                       | \$3,516                     |
| Washburn Institute of Technology       | \$0  | \$135,530                     | \$135,530                   |
| WSU Campus of Applied Sci. and Tech.   | \$24,751   | \$130,749                     | \$155,500                   |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>\$53,487</b>                                  | <b>\$642,502</b>              | <b>\$695,989</b>            |

**Postsecondary Education Performance-Based Incentives Fund - GED Accelerator**

| <b>Institution</b>                     | <b>FY 2021<br/>Reconciliation<br/>Adjustment</b> | <b>FY 2022<br/>Allocation</b> | <b>Net<br/>Distribution</b> |
|--|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Allen Community College                | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Barton Community College               | (\$1,830)  | \$2,170                       | \$340                       |
| Butler Community College               | \$0  | \$850                         | \$850                       |
| Cloud County Community College         | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Coffeyville Community College          | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Colby Community College                | \$14,870   | \$29,230                      | \$44,100                    |
| Cowley Community College               | \$6,200  | \$6,200                       | \$12,400                    |
| Dodge City Community College           | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Flint Hills Technical College          | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Fort Scott Community College           | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Garden City Community College          | \$0  | \$3,010                       | \$3,010                     |
| Highland Community College             | \$4,020  | \$4,020                       | \$8,040                     |
| Hutchinson Community College           | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Independence Community College         | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Johnson County Community College       | \$1,000  | \$4,340                       | \$5,340                     |
| Kansas City Kansas Community College   | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Labette Community College              | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Manhattan Area Technical College       | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Neosho County Community College        | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| North Central Kansas Technical College | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Northwest Kansas Technical College     | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Pratt Community College                | \$0  | \$0                           | \$0                         |
| Salina Area Technical College          | \$0  | \$3,670                       | \$3,670                     |
| Seward County Community College        | \$1,000  | \$1,670                       | \$2,670                     |
| Washburn Institute of Technology       | \$670  | \$26,220                      | \$26,890                    |
| WSU Campus of Applied Sci. and Tech.   | \$2,330  | \$6,340                       | \$8,670                     |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>\$28,260</b>                                  | <b>\$87,720</b>               | <b>\$115,980</b>            |

**Motion:** Member Shultz moved to approve the Excel in Career Technical Education Initiative, (Excel in CTE), Accelerating Opportunity: Kansas (AO-K Proviso) and Postsecondary Education Performance-Based Incentives Fund (GED Accelerator) distributions as presented, with permission to make corrections if needed, with recommendation for approval by the Board of Regents. Following a second by Member Anderson, the motion carried by roll call vote.

**Other Matters**

Kansas State University Salina Aerospace and Technology Campus: Associate of Applied Science Degree in Unmanned Aircraft Systems (49.0101)

Chair Frederick called on Vice President Smathers to provide members with information for discussion regarding the Kansas State University Salina Aerospace and Technology Campus: Associate of Applied Science Degree in Unmanned Aircraft Systems (49.0101) new program request.

Vice President Smathers informed members that he would be providing them with the information he previously presented to the Technical Program and Curriculum Committee. He explained that KSU Polytechnic (KSU Aerospace and Technology) has resubmitted their request to offer a 60-credit hour associate of applied science degree in Unmanned Aircraft Systems. He informed members that based on previous discussions with TEA members, Board staff compiled information regarding KSU and the Polytechnical Campus (aka K-State Polytechnic), the proposed Unmanned Aircraft Systems program, information regarding K-State Salina's current Unmanned Aircraft Systems, and information regarding all associate degree programs at universities. The information was previously provided in the committee meeting packet, along with current letters received from institutions opposing the program, and KSU responses to those letters. This information was included in the TEA meeting packet for review as well as letters of support for the program from various business and industry partners as requested by the Committee. He explained that the Technical Program and Curriculum Committee requested that this Agenda item be forwarded to the TEA for discussion. Vice President Smathers provided a brief review of the compiled information and explained the timeline for program review according to the four-year university program approval process. Chair Frederick asked Technical Program and Curriculum Committee Chair R. Johnson to lead discussions. Committee Chair Johnson informed members that committee members had considerable discussion regarding the program and the committee requested additional information from business and industry which was received. Committee Chair Johnson summarized the committee's concerns including the fact that that KSU already has a baccalaureate program as well as a minor degree in the UAS arena, and stated there are no new courses, so they are asking for a new exit point for existing courses. She added that KSU included the statute from 1991 allowing KSU to offer technical certificates and associate degrees, and while that statute still exists, it was from a time before technical colleges were established in Kansas. Members expressed their concerns regarding Excel in CTE funding and other funding exclusive to the two-year sector, duplication of programs and lack of collaboration concerns, and that if the TEA recommends approving the program, the TEA will not have oversight on future program performance at the University level. Following discussion, Chair Frederick voiced his concerns regarding lack of collaboration with Cloud Community College and the future potential for KSU to seek funding and grants specifically reserved for the two-year institutions such as Excel in CTE funding, tiered funding, and the Promise Act funding.

**Motion:** Chair Frederick moved for the TEA to oppose the Kansas State University Salina Aerospace and Technology Campus: Associate of Applied Science Degree in Unmanned Aircraft Systems (49.0101) new program request. Following a second by Member Mikulka, the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Chair Frederick asked Vice President Smathers to advise on the next steps regarding this recommendation. Vice President Smathers stated that Board Staff will prepare a letter to the Board regarding the TEA opposition, and it will be available for review at the TEA meeting September 30, 2021. Upon approval by the TEA, the letter will be immediately submitted to the Board with the Chair's signature.

### **Next Meeting Reminder**

Chair Frederick informed members that the next TEA meeting is currently scheduled for Thursday, September 30, 2021 at the KBOR office.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business, Chair Frederick adjourned the meeting at 4:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Susan Henry, Executive Assistant