



**KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
(KDE)**

Local Superintendent's Advisory Council (LSAC)

SUMMARY

January 28, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Kirk Biggerstaff, Vice Chair Harry Burchett, Will Hodges, David Cox, Brian Alexander, Russ Tilford, Sheila Mitchell, David Trimble, Thom Cochran and Henry Webb

Agenda Item: Amendment to 701 KAR 5:055, Removal hearing procedures

Presenters: KDE General Counsel Todd G. Allen

Summary of Discussion: Allen presented the amendments to 701 KAR 5:055. Allen explained that the amendments to the regulation are to strike reference to removal of local board of education members. The statute providing Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) with removal authority was amended in 2021 by the Kentucky General Assembly to remove reference to local board of education members. Therefore, the regulation amendment aligns with current statutory language.

Action Taken: Biggerstaff asked for a motion to recommend approval of the proposed amendments to 701 KAR 5:055. The motion was made by Henry Webb and seconded by Brian Alexander. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Follow-up Required: Following the Local Superintendents Advisory Council meeting with the Commissioner of Education Robbie Fletcher, Ed.D., and staff, this item will be presented to the members of the KBE for consideration and action.

Agenda Item: Amendment to 702 KAR 5:130, Vehicles designed to carry nine (9) passengers or less, standards for

Presenters: KDE Associate Commissioner Matt Ross, KDE Division Director Chay Ritter, KDE Policy Advisor Lindsey Swartz and Joe Shepard from the Office of Finance and Operations

Summary of Discussion: Ross, Ritter, Swartz and Shepard presented the proposed amendments to 702 KAR 5:130. LSAC members discussed the proposed regulation amendment and provided feedback to KDE staff. Fletcher directed KDE staff to work with district

transportation directors and LSAC members to review the proposed regulation amendment and address the concerns of LSAC members. Fletcher also directed KDE staff to communicate with the bill sponsor of House Bill 447 (Regular Session 2024) to discuss the concerns raised by LSAC members regarding the statutory requirements.

Action Taken: Biggerstaff asked for a motion to table the vote on the regulation. The motion was made by Webb and seconded by Sheila Mitchell. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Follow-up Required: KDE staff will work with district transportation directors, LSAC members and the bill sponsor to address the concerns of LSAC members.

Agenda Item: Kentucky United We Learn Assessment and Accountability Framework 2.0

Presenters: Commissioner Robbie Fletcher, KDE Division Director Jennifer Stafford and KDE Chief Performance Officer Karen Dodd

Summary of Discussion: Fletcher, Stafford and Dodd presented the framework. Stafford described various components of the current version of the Reimagined Assessment and Accountability Framework 2.0. The framework includes plans for a reimagined assessment system and an accountability system that streamlines the federal accountability clearing the path for a separate local accountability component. The local accountability creates a pathway for districts to highlight achievements important to their communities. Stafford elaborated on which components of the framework have been supported by stakeholders during discussions at regional town hall meetings. Fletcher shared clarifying information. Stafford also mentioned that Framework 3.0 will be developed incorporating the valuable input and feedback gathered from superintendents and stakeholders during the town hall meetings. Dodd then provided a logistical overview of the well-attended meetings that have been occurring across the state. Each town hall meeting has included a presentation from a district in that region that has engaged in local accountability. Dodd finished with a discussion of the "Wows" and "Wonders" themes that have emerged from the meetings.

Action Taken: N/A

Follow-up Required: Following the Local Superintendents Advisory Council meeting with Fletcher and staff, this item will be presented to the members of the KBE for consideration and action.