



**KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (KDE)**  
**COMMISSIONER'S TEACHER ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**Special Committee: Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) Non-Voting**  
**Teacher Member Application Review**  
**April 25, 2025**

**Present** (three members present): Melanie Callahan (Chair), Carla Lawson, Kristen Morgan

**Absent** (no members absent)

**Summary:**

**Agenda Item:** Call to Order

**Presenter:** Melanie Callahan, TAC KBE Application Review Special Committee Chair, South Laurel Middle School, Laurel County

**Summary of Discussion:** Callahan called the meeting to order and stated that the special committee's purpose is to review applications for the 2025-2026 non-voting teacher member of the KBE and to recommend three candidates to the KBE.

**Feedback:** None.

**Agenda Item:** Roll Call

**Presenter:** GlyptusAnn Grider Jones, Ph.D., Director of Education Policy, KDE

**Summary of Discussion:** Jones called roll and stated a quorum was present.

**Feedback:** None.

**Agenda Item:** Selection of Three Candidates for Non-Voting Teacher Member of the Kentucky Board of Education

**Presenter:** Chair Callahan

**Summary of Discussion:** Callahan reviewed criteria for selecting candidates for the non-voting teacher member of the KBE, noting that applicants must be enrolled on a full-time basis by a Kentucky public school district in a position for which Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) certification is required, not in an administrative role, and must reside in Kentucky's 3rd Congressional District.

Callahan next led a review and discussion of applications for the non-voting teacher member of the KBE. Application #2 received favorable comments from special committee members.

Once the top candidates were determined, Callahan asked the committee to entertain a motion to approve candidates in the following rank order, #2, #3 and #5, as the three finalists for the 2025-2026 non-voting teacher member of the KBE. The motion was made by Lawson and seconded by Morgan. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

**Feedback:** Members discussed their rankings.

**Agenda Item:** Adjournment

**Feedback:** Callahan requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Morgan and seconded by Lawson. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.