



Executive Summary

Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS)
Board of Regents Meeting – March 18-19, 2021
Conducted virtually via Microsoft Teams

Meeting highlights:

- ***Accepted the financial audit results for the 2019-20 fiscal year.***
The Board of Regents accepted the audit results for the 2019-20 fiscal year. The independent opinion issued by Crowe, LLP is an unmodified opinion. This opinion means that the KCTCS financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, KCTCS' financial position as of June 30, 2020, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year ended June 30, 2020. The audit firm has reported that there are no deficiencies in the KCTCS internal controls that are considered material weaknesses. The audit firm has audited the KCTCS major federal programs in compliance with the requirements of the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Uniform Guidance.
- ***Directed staff to develop an RFP for an external audit firm to replace the internal audit office at KCTCS.***
The Board of Regents directed the research and action to develop request for proposals with the intent to hire an independent audit firm that will report directly to the Board, which will provide for more independence and accountability regarding the internal audit function.
- ***Received information on budget development scenarios for the 2021-22 fiscal year.***
The Board of Regents discussed various scenarios for the development of the KCTCS 2021-22 operating budget. The Board discussed primary sources of revenue, including state appropriations and tuition revenue. The Board also discussed employee compensation scenarios and projected expenditures, including fixed cost increases in employee benefits, insurance, and utilities.

A 2021-22 KCTCS annual budget proposal will be presented to the KCTCS Board of Regents for action at the June meetings.



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- ***Received information on the proposed 2022 calendar.***
Proposed meeting dates include: March 17-18, 2022; June 9-10, 2022; September 15-16, 2022; and December 1-2, 2022. The calendar will be adopted at the June meeting.
- ***Approved a mission statement revision for Hazard Community and Technical College.***
- ***Approved new academic programs.***
The new programs approved by the KCTCS Board of Regents respond to a local needs survey in the college's community.
 - ***Associate in Applied Science in Surgical Technology for Ashland Community and Technical College***
 - ***Associate in Applied Science in Computer Engineering Technology for Bluegrass Community and Technical College***
 - ***Associate in Applied Science in Paralegal Technology for Gateway Community and Technical College***
 - ***Associate in Applied Science in Emergency Medical Services – Paramedic for Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College***
- ***Approved an exception request for total program credit hour limit.***
The exemption is for the Associate in Applied Science in Computer Engineering Technology for Bluegrass Community and Technical College and will allow for a total credit hour limit of 68 to 72 credit hours.
- ***Approved a policy revision for KCTCS Board of Regent Policy 4.12 – Policy on Collaborative Program Development.***
The revision will revise the Associate in Arts requirements to allow General Education Oral Communication courses to be used to fulfill requirements currently limited to Arts & Humanities, Social & Behavioral Sciences and Foreign Language courses; provide an equal opportunity for all General Education disciplines to fulfill requirements necessary for completion of the two-year transfer degree; and, maintain a transfer framework that allows the maximum amount of flexibility to suit the needs of students transferring to four-year majors.
- ***Ratified or approved new credit certificate programs, KCTCS colleges' candidates for credentials, and personnel actions.***
 - ***Ratified new credit certificate programs and diploma programs.***
Each certificate and diploma is applicable towards at least one degree program and is designed to be responsive to education and workforce needs in Kentucky, providing greater student access to quality programs. The certificates and degrees are embedded in already-approved Associate of Applied Science programs of study. New certificate programs were ratified for Bluegrass Community and Technical College, Elizabethtown Community and Technical College, Henderson Community College, Hopkinsville Community College, Owensboro Community and Technical College, Southcentral KY Community and Technical College, Southeast Community and Technical College, Somerset Community College, and

West Kentucky Community and Technical College. New diploma programs were ratified for Ashland Community and Technical College and Bluegrass Community and Technical College.

- ***Approved KCTCS colleges' candidates for credentials.***

For the period of October 3, 2020 through January 8, 2021, there were 8,871 credential requests, including 5,445 certificates; 509 diplomas; and 2,914 associate degrees. Credentials are awarded to students upon certification that requirements for the credentials have been satisfactorily completed.

- ***Ratified personnel actions.***

The KCTCS Board of Regents received a personnel report that included individual and summary personnel actions, some of which were academic and administrative appointments, reappointments, terminal reappointments, retirements, resignations, and non-renewal of appointments.

- ***Held a closed executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1)(c) – proposed or pending litigation.***

Other Highlights:

- ***Chair's Report.***

Highlights reported by KCTCS Board of Regents Chair Gail Henson to the Board of Regents included an update on the KCTCS Presidential Search Process and recognition for Jefferson Community and Technical College's All-Academic Team.

- ***KCTCS President's Report.***

KCTCS Interim President Czarapata provided updates on the System's current activities, including enrollment outreach, an outlook on the state budget, accelerated pathways for veterans, and strategic plan performance measures.

- ***Received updates/reports on the following items:***

- The 2021 Legislative Session
- Strategic Planning for 2022
- The Annual Board Evaluation
- Administrative Services
- Office of Audit Services
- Institutional Advancement
- Program Suspensions
- Academic Services

- ***Next Meeting – June 10-11, 2021.***

The KCTCS Board of Regents will conduct its next regularly scheduled meeting at the KCTCS System Office in Versailles or virtually via Microsoft Teams.