

KANSAS CITY KANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Special Board of Trustees Meeting

Monday, December 10, 2007

The KCKCC Board of Trustees met at 11:15 a.m. on Monday, December 10, 2007 in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Kansas City Kansas Area Technical School for the purpose of holding a joint meeting with the USD 500 Board of Education (USD BOE) to discuss the merger of Kansas City Kansas Area Technical School (KCKATS) and Kansas City Kansas Community College (KCKCC). The Boards ate lunch first which was followed by the opening of the meeting by the Chairman of the USD 500 Board of Education, Gloria Willis. Roll call of the USD 500 Board was taken and resulted as follows:

Meredith Schraeder	Present
Brenda Jones	Present
Vicky Meyer	Present
Gloria Willis	Present
Linda Pendleton	Present
Richard Kaminski	Present
George Breidenthal	Present

She then invited the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Kansas City Kansas Community College, Trustee Mary Ann Flunder, to call her board meeting to order. Roll call resulted as follows:

Trustee Ash	Present
Trustee Daniels	Present
Trustee Ellison	Present
Trustee Flunder	Present
Trustee Hernandez	Present
Trustee Rios	Present
Trustee Townsend	Present

1. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, George Breidenthal moved to approve the Special Agenda to discuss the joint resolution for the merger of KCKCC and ATS. Vicky Meyer seconded and the motion carried.
2. Chairman Flunder opened with her comments under the reports section of the agenda regarding the “conditions prompting the action to merge the KCKCC and ATS and the positive impact” of the merger on Kansas City Kansas businesses.
2. Mrs. Willis then noted the historic importance of this meeting on the 40th anniversary of the formation of the Area Technical School. She noted the past positive relationship between the ATS and the USD 500 and that she believed in the potential benefits for USD 500 students because of the merger.

4. At this time Mr. Steve Gering, USD 500 Deputy Superintendent for Teaching and Learning and Dr. Morteza Ardebili, Provost of KCKCC gave presentations and answered questions regarding the proposed merger. Following much discussion, Trustee Daniels raised a question regarding the timeline for the agreement and changes to it. Trustee Ellison followed up Trustee Daniels' question with his own concerns regarding the compressed timeline and allowing adequate time for thorough curriculum and competencies review. Mr. Gering responded in his review of the purposes and missions of the committees involved in the planning and drafting of the agreement.
5. Gloria Willis opened the floor for further discussion of the information presented. Trustee Ellison raised the question of the timeline of December 20, 2007 – January 8, 2008 being enough time to resolve possible issues rising from the merger. Mr. Gering responded that this proposed agreement to be due on January 8th is a only a general agreement stating that the boards involved have made the commitment to move forward with the merger. Trustee Ellison was satisfied with the explanation.
6. Following further discussion it was recommended by Dr. Shackelford and Dr. Burke that the following resolution be accepted for first reading:

**JOINT RESOLUTION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
NO. 500, WYANDOTTE COUNTY, KANSAS
AND KANSAS CITY KANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Whereas, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 500, Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools (“USD No. 500”) as the governing body of the Kansas City Area Technical School (“ATS”) must, pursuant to Chapter 199 of the 2007 Session Laws of Kansas, present a plan to the Kansas Board of Regents not later than July 1, 2008 to merge or affiliate with a post-secondary education institution; and,

Whereas, upon thoughtful review and being fully advised in the premises, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 500, Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools concerning the merger of the Kansas City Area Technical School with the Kansas City Kansas Community College; and

Whereas, USD No. 500 applauds and welcomes the action of the Kansas City Kansas Community College Board of Trustees which has fully endorsed the proposed plan to merge and/or affiliate ATS with KCKCC, subject to the submission of a final plan, to be jointly submitted by the Superintendent of Schools and the President of Kansas City Kansas Community College on or before March 1, 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 500, WYANDOTTE COUNTY, KANSAS, AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF KANSAS CITY KANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE THAT, The Board of Trustees of Kansas City Kansas Community College and the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 500 on this 18th day of December, 2007, hereby resolve:

to work together toward a consolidated agreement as outlined in Kansas Statutes Annotated 71-1701, 71-1702 and 71-1703 to be presented to the Kansas Board of Regents for approval. The purpose of this consolidated agreement is the merger of Kansas City Kansas Community College and the Kansas City Area Technical School. Both institutions will work toward this agreement with the intent to have it approved by both Boards and the Kansas Board of Regents and to begin merged operations by July 1, 2008.

Adopted by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 500, Wyandotte County, Kansas this 13th day of December 2007.

**Gloria A. Willis
President, Board of Education**

**Linda Pendleton
Vice President, Board of Education**

**Richard J. Kaminski
Member, Board of Education**

**George G. Breidenthal
Member, Board of Education**

**Meredith Roberts Schraeder
Member, Board of Education**

**Victoria S. Meyer
Member, Board of Education**

Brenda C. Jones

Member, Board of Education

Attest:

**Susan Westfahl
Clerk, Board of Education**

**Adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Kansas City Kansas
Community College this 18th day of December 2007.**

**Mrs. Mary Ann Flunder
President, Board of Trustees**

**Mr. Don Ash
Member, Board of Trustees**

**Dr. Ray Daniels
Member, Board of Trustees**

**Dr. Nolen Ellison
Member, Board of Trustees**

**Mrs. Karen Hernandez
Member, Board of Trustees**

**Mr. John “J.D.” Rios
Member, Board of Trustees**

**Mr. Clyde Townsend
Member, Board of Trustees**

Attest:

**Lisa Gammon
Clerk, Board of Trustees**

The resolution was accepted for first reading.

7. U.S.D. Chairman Willis and KCKCC Board Chairman Flunder called to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

ATTEST: _____ Chairman

_____ Secretary