

# Coalition of Innovative School Districts

December 17, 2015

9:00 a.m.

Conference Call

Toll Free dial-in [1-866-620-7326](tel:1-866-620-7326)

Conference Code – [785-296-3203](tel:785-296-3203)

**Members present:** Bev Mortimer, Adrian Howie, Cindy Lane, Bill Mullins, Angie McDonald, Randy Watson, Deena Horst

**Guests present:** Scott Rothchild/KASB, Idalia Shuman/KNEA

## 1.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion: Cindy L.      Second: Adrian H.      Action: unanimous pass

## 2.0 Public Comments – no public comment

## 3.0 Consent Items

3.1 Minutes from November meeting

Motion: Adrian H.      Second: Cindy L.      Action: unanimous pass

## 4.0 Reports

4.1 Updates from districts-Adrian thanked Cindy and the KCK staff for the information presented at the November meeting. He said this had sparked conversations. Angie reported that in McPherson the advocates were working to reach students in poverty, creating social circles, and piloting “Getting Ahead” curriculum.

4.2 Updates from KSDE-Commissioner Watson is extremely excited about the flexibility in the new law. He discussed the testing component and what costs are currently with CETE, ACT, and Work Keys. Cindy asked about local flexibility at the high school level, with dollars to pay for different tests. Randy also discussed the new Kansas vision, and working with the legislature. His approach is one legislator at a time to get the momentum going if we are going to win the battle. He is currently trying to get all early childhood money in one fund at KSDE.

## 5.0 Old Business

5.1 Bill and Cindy discussed their break-out session at the December KASB Convention. They reported that they had lively discussions and were able to clarify intent and purpose of the Coalition.

## 6.0 New Business

## 7.0 Announcements

7.1 Next meeting – January 20, 2016 @ KASB in Topeka

7.2 Official Appointment of Chair-Bev reported that she was not officially the Chair

## 8.0 Adjournment

Motion: Deena H.      Second: Cindy L.      Action: unanimous pass