

SEK-CAP Special Governing Board Meeting
Friday, May 10, 2024
Central Office
401 N. Sinnet, Girard KS 66743
2:00 pm – 2:30 pm

1. Call to Order

Board Chairman, Steve Fincher, called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

2. Roll Call

Attending the meeting via Zoom were Board members Steve Fincher, Boyd Koehn, Christy Vulgamore, C.W. Betz, Marilyn Logan and Heather Spaur. Board members Ayla Daugherty and Stacey Wood were not present for the meeting. Members of the Policy Council were also present via Zoom: Catherine Johnson, Elizabeth Crow, Mikki Herrera, and Sharon Serpan.

Staff present meeting were Jamey Whitney, CEO, Joanie Burke, Director of Early Childhood Education Services, Tiffany Romine, Program Development, Compliance, and Reporting Manager, Karen Leonard, Early Childhood Support Coordinator and Tanya House, Systems Manager.

3. Meeting Agenda

The agenda for the May 10, 2024, meeting of the Governing Board was uploaded to the BOARDnetWORK prior to the meeting for members of the Board to review.

A motion to approve the agenda as uploaded for the Friday, May 10, 2024, meeting of the Board of Directors was made by Body Kohen. The motion was seconded by Marilyn Logan. There was no further discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. New Business

a. Head Start/Early Head Start Expansion Grant

Prior to the meeting the board members received a one-page summary of the proposed Head Start/Early Head Start Expansion Grant application. Joanie explained that based on the needs identified in the Community Needs Assessment, the areas of focus for expansion would be in the cities of Girard, Pittsburg, and Howard. A total of 13 Head Start slots would be added for children in Girard, which would include building a new facility with 2 classrooms that would be center-based full year for 1,020 hours of planned operation over the course of 8 months per year. Operational hours would be Monday-Friday, for up to 10 hours per day. For Early Head Start the proposal is to add 24 pregnant woman, infants, and toddlers to be served in Crawford County – 8 in Girard, and 16 in Pittsburg. The Pittsburg facility, currently being worked on, would also be center based, providing 1,380 hours of planned class operations for up to 10 hours per day (M-F) and allowing for more community-based slots. In Howard, KS the West Elk School District operates a center called Little Patriots Early Learning Center. We are proposing to partner with them to provide Early Head Start slots for 4 additional infants and toddlers to be served for 1,380

hours of planned class time with up to 10 hours per day, Monday-Friday. Additionally, she discussed the estimated cost of playground equipment, and biometrics. Steve Fincher asked where the location of the Girard building would be, to which Joanie responded it would be to the south of the Early Childhood Training Facility. Joanie remarked that the \$200,000 awarded to SEK-CAP by the Crawford County Commissioners will go towards the new building in Girard, allowing us to get architectural drawings, soil testing and engineering of the surface completed. Marilyn asked if the slots were being newly created or if they were being moved. Joanie responded that these were completely new slots, expanding our enrollment opportunity.

Marilyn Logan made the motion to approve the application for the Head Start/Early Head Start Expansion Grant as presented to the Board members. The motion was seconded by Boyd Kohen. No further discussion was had. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved unanimously.

5. Other

There's no other business needed at this time.

6. Adjournment

A motion was made by Boyd Koehn for the adjournment of the meeting of the Board of Director's. The motion was seconded by Marilyn Logan. There was no further discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:26pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

		
Governing Board Official Name	Signature	Date