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BOARD ACCEPTS DECISION ON LOW-PERFORMING SCHOOL

(FRANKFORT, Ky.) – At its regular meeting on Wednesday, the Kentucky Board of Education took action and heard presentations on a number of items.

The board agreed to uphold the commissioner of education's action under KRS 160.346 relating to the leadership assessment of Frost Middle School in Jefferson County. The school's school-based decision making council had appealed the commissioner's decision to transfer the council's authority to the district's superintendent.

The board approved the Kentucky Preschool Program 2010-11 per-child funding rates, pending approval of the budget by the General Assembly:

CATEGORY	2010-11 PER-CHILD RATE
At-Risk	$2,874
Speech/Language	$3,018
Mild/Developmental Delays	$4,024
Severe/Multiple Disabilities	$5,461

The board accept the recommendations of the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission (KNPSC) to certify the following schools:

SCHOOL	LOCATION
Rose Hill Christian School	Ashland
Anchored Christian School	Bowling Green
St. Joseph Elementary	Camp Springs
Prince of Peace Elementary	Covington
St. Thomas Elementary	Ft. Thomas
St. Paul Elementary	Leitchfield
Christ the King Elementary	Lexington
Summit Christian Academy	Lexington
Our Savior Lutheran School	Louisville
Portland Christian - East Elementary	Louisville
Portland Christian School	Louisville
Presentation Academy High	Louisville
St. James Academy Elementary	Louisville
Harvest Christian Academy	South Portsmouth
St. Leo Elementary	Versailles
St. Joseph Academy Elementary	Walton
Clark County Christian School	Winchester

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The board took the following actions:

- approved suggested amendments to 703 KAR 5:180, the regulation that relates to the intervention system for persistently low-achieving schools
- approved changes to 702 KAR 7:130 (emergency and ordinary versions), the regulation related to uniform procedures for approval of alternative, innovative school calendars
- gave final approval to 704 KAR 3:303, the regulation related to required core academic standards
- approved district facility plans for Nelson County and Ashland Independent
- approved district facility plan amendments for Henderson County
- approved local district working budgets
- gave final approval to 702 KAR 5:110, the state regulation related to reimbursement for vocational school pupil transportation
- approved the Kentucky Minimum Specifications for School Buses, 2011
- approved the designation of Rogers Hall at the Kentucky School for the Deaf as surplus property
- approve the recommendation from the commissioner of education to reappoint Lea Wise Prewitt of Mt. Sterling as an at-large member to the Kentucky High School Athletics Association (KHSAA) Board of Control
- approved a KHSAA-implemented alternative training course for coaches

The board heard a presentation on reporting requirements outlined in 702 KAR 7:065, the regulation designating the KHSAA as the entity to manage interscholastic athletics.

The board also agreed that members Billy Harper, Dorie Combs, Brigette Ramsey and David Karem should serve as the nominating committee to select a proposed slate of officers for 2010-11.

The Kentucky Board of Education's next regular meeting is scheduled for August 4 and 5 in Frankfort. More information about the board is available at http://www.kde.state.ky.us/KDE/Administrative+Resources/Kentucky+Board+of+Education/default.htm.

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