



**Kansas Consortium of Music Teacher Education
Professors and Students (KCOMTEPS)**

Dr. Frank Perez, SMTE Representative

**Professoriate Business Meeting
Senseney Music, Wichita, KS**

Agenda (12:00–1:00)

September 25, 2022

Welcome & Introductions of the attending Professoriate.

KMEA President’s Report (Mark Gard)

ISW planning session date (October 15th planning meeting), deadline for proposals is October 1st. Kansas State Board of Education is looking at reducing the Fine Arts credit requirement from 1 credit to .5 credit. We may need to lobby for them to maintain the current requirement. There seems to be support (by new board members) to keep the requirement the same. They want to make room for a requirement in finance and technology. Fine Arts Consultant KSDE thinks that may be an opportunity to increase requirements. Kansas Can – School Redesign – school districts can redesign their offerings based on their needs. Many school music programs are negatively affected. President Gard attended the National High School Activities Association Conference in Colorado. There is so much untapped funding through ESSR. Lynn Tuttle and Martha Gabel will also present on the Career Ed and Tech Education at our KMEA ISW. There is a Teacher Preparation Pathway available. Kansas hopes to encourage participation in this program. Advocacy: KMEA is getting ready to produce some public service announcements: TV spots and billboards. Country Music Association Grant will provide funding to help with this initiative. We need to make sure that we correct the language that music is now on the same level as other “*well-rounded education*” subjects. Marcia Neal will be at our KMEA ISW and present a panel on how to communicate with administrators (with administrators on the panel). KMEA is considering starting the ISW on Thursday morning rather than the afternoon. This may present some challenges. 10 All-State ensembles. If we

- 36 extend the convention, we open 2 more time slots to accept for school ensembles
37 to perform.
38 We discussed keeping the registration fee at \$5.00
39 Date for next year? **September 24, 2023**