

MEMO OF RECORD

Commonwealth Education Continuum

Type: Commonwealth Education Continuum - A Multi-Agency Education Initiative of Kentucky's Council on Postsecondary Education, Education and Workforce Cabinet and Department of Education

Date: January 27, 2021

Time: 1 p.m. ET

Location: Virtual meeting – Committee members by ZOOM teleconference. Public viewing at CPE YouTube Page

CALL TO ORDER

The Commonwealth Education Continuum (CEC) held a regular meeting on January 27, 2021 at 1 p.m. ET. Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-243 and a memorandum issued by the Finance and Administration Cabinet dated March 16, 2020, and in an effort to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), the CEC met utilizing a video teleconference. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting on the CPE YouTube page.

ATTENDANCE

The following members were present: Aaron Thompson, Jacqueline Coleman, Jason Glass, OJ Oleka, Lisa Rudzinski, Amy Neal, Rhonda Caldwell, Ronda Harmon, Jim Flynn, Lu Young, Ashli Watts, Dallas Kratzer, Paul Czarzata, Ben Brandstetter, David Horseman, Eddie Campbell, Gene Hutchins, James Tipton, Kerri Schelling, Kyle Thomas, Max Wise, John Lyons, Logan Justice, Penny Christian, Priyadarshini Chandrashekhar, Jenny Sawyer, Corinne Murphy, Robert Jackson and Robert Hayes.

The following member was not present: David Givens.

Jennifer Fraker, CPE's executive director of P-20 Policies and Programs, served as recorder of the meeting memo.

WELCOME AND PURPOSE

The co-chairs, Dr. Aaron Thompson, Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman and Dr. Jason Glass provided a welcome and highlighted the purpose of the CEC. Gov. Andy Beshear also

provided a brief welcome to all members. During a group discussion, members clarified what they hope the CEC will accomplish.

NORMS AND OBJECTIVE

Dr. Jason Glass led the members in a consensus-making exercise to establish norms for meetings. Dr. Amanda Ellis provided direction to members concerning the CEC's annual objective.

DATA EXPLORATION

Dr. Amanda Ellis and Dr. David Mahan led members on a virtual data walk to explore current education trends and statistics, examining where students are being lost in the transition gaps.

AREAS OF OPPORTUNITY FEEDBACK

In small groups, members discussed insights from the data walk and identified the areas in which they determined to be the biggest opportunities to leverage improvements. Following, groups shared their information with the entire CEC in an attempt to refine the CEC's objectives.

NEXT STEPS AND ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Amanda Ellis shared collective next steps and information about future meetings. The co-chairs thanked members for their attendance and insights, and provided closing remarks.

The meeting adjourned at 3 p.m. ET. The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 25, 2021.