

## MEMO OF RECORD

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Who: Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education  
Meeting Type: Dual Credit Advisory Committee Working Session  
Date: January 15, 2026  
Time: 9:00 a.m. ET  
Location: Virtual via ZOOM webinar

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**Members Present:** John Paise (KDE), Harmony Little (KCTCS), Becky Gilpatrick (KHEAA), Amanda Ellis (CPE), Joel Pace (Morehead State), Kara Schotter (JCTC), Jama Griffie (HCTC), James Catchen (Thomas More), Sandra Hancock (Christian County Schools), Angie White (Barren County Schools)

**Members Absent:** none

### MEMBER UPDATES

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Robin Hebert welcomed members and guests to the meeting at 9 a.m. (ET), and provided an overview of the agenda. Members provided brief updates of dual credit progress.

### GENERAL EDUCATION SURVEY RESPONSE DISCUSSION

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Robin Hebert provided a brief overview of the Dual Credit Scholarship project and progress since the last Advisory Council meeting. House Bill 193 (2025) amended KRS 164.786 to require general education dual credit coursework be part of the statewide general education core as outlined in the [Kentucky General Education Transfer Policy](#). The Kentucky Higher Assistance Authority (KHEAA) and the Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE) seek to ensure that Dual Credit Scholarship awards are applied to enrollment in approved, highly transferable general education coursework.

In order to get an accurate perception of the course landscape, CPE surveyed all postsecondary institutions that participate in the Dual Credit Scholarship Program to collect the current list of general education courses offered for dual credit. CPE received responses from all participating institutions, with the exception of one private university. CPE's data team is working to integrate all the reports into a sortable dashboard to provide a statewide perspective on dual credit coursework, including enrollment.

Following this introduction, Becky Gilpatrick discussed KHEAA's role, desired outcomes, and a general process for implementation. She reported that KHEAA would like to work with institutions to identify a maximum number of eligible courses in each general education core category to be integrated into the scholarship application process and published on

KHEAA's website. She explained that the process will be piloted in 2026-27 and implemented in 2027-28.

Amanda Ellis then led a discussion of the Council's recommendations regarding support and professional development that high schools and postsecondary institutions will need in order to successfully implement the changes and a reasonable timeline. The following topics were addressed:

- high quality postsecondary advising continues to be a challenge, statewide, and turnover in key advising positions is especially problematic.
- the importance of communications beginning as soon as possible, including high school partners, university administrators, state education agencies, and parents/families.
- the challenging timeline with registration for Fall, 2026, already underway.
- a process by which institutions are able to see what other courses students have taken with another institution.
- the role of world language courses.

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## LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS & IMPLICATIONS FOR DUAL CREDIT

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Amanda Ellis led a discussion of the following bills related to dual credit: [SB 22](#) - An ACT related to the dual credit scholarship program; and [HB 35](#) - An ACT relating to scholarship eligibility for proprietary schools.

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## NEXT STEPS

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The meeting concluded at 11 a.m. (ET) with a review of upcoming dates of work sessions and Council meetings:

- Feb. 5, 2026, 9 a.m. (ET) - Quarterly Meeting
- April 16, 2026, 1 p.m. (ET) - Work Session
- June 11, 2026, 9 a.m. (ET) - Quarterly Meeting
- July 23, 2026, 9 a.m. (ET) - Work Session
- Sept. 4, 2026, 9 a.m. (ET) - Quarterly Meeting
- Oct 29, 2026, 1 p.m. (ET) - Work Session
- Dec. 3, 2026, 9 a.m. (ET) - Quarterly Meeting