

Kentucky Department of Education

Steering Committee Meeting Summary

Advisory Group: Reading Diagnostic and Intervention Grant Steering Committee Meeting Date: 12/12/2024
Liaison: Christie Biggerstaff Note Taker: Ashley Hill

Advisory Group Members Present:

Name	Representing	Guests	Representing
Amy Ritter	Primary Program Teachers		
Sam Sams	Elementary School Principal		
Jessica Sparrow	Librarians or Certified Media Specialists		
Mary Bell	Private Sector Member with Reading Intervention experience		
Christie Biggerstaff	Commissioner of education, or the commissioner's designee		
Paula Pleasant	Elementary Special Education Teacher (1)		
Dawn Sexton	Elementary Reading Intervention Teacher (1)		

Absent -

Name	Representing
Dominique Pleasant-Moore	Primary Program Teacher
Amy Hatzel	Primary Program Teacher
Janice Almasi	Post Secondary Faculty
Molly Boyd	Elementary School Parent

KDE Staff: Micki Ray, Ashley Hill, Jan Sellers

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by Christie Biggerstaff

Agenda Item: Welcome, introduction and approval of the agenda

Presenter: Christie Biggerstaff, Director of Early Literacy

The group was welcomed, and the meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM EST. Virtual meeting rules were discussed. There were not enough members present for a quorum, so no action items were discussed, and the meeting was informative.

Agenda Item: Information Sharing About Early Literacy Updates

Presenter: Christie Biggerstaff, Director of Early Literacy

Summary of Discussion: Biggerstaff informed the group about the work happening in the Division of Early Literacy, including the following: LETRS Updates as we currently have over 6,000 participants in the

professional learning, State Literacy Coaching Model having 23 partnership schools, KyELLN network convenings with 33 participating districts, and the hiring of three Regional Principal Supports Leaders who support KyELLN network leaders.

Agenda Item: Reading Improvement Plan

Presenter: Jan Sellers, MTSS Coordinator

Summary of Discussion:

Sellers presented information about the Reading Improvement Plan, including the purpose and function of the plan. She took the committee through each section of the plan to direct them as to what information needs to be included in the section and the process that needs to be included with each section.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Presenter: Christie Biggerstaff

Meeting Adjourned at: 11:47 ET