



MEETING

**KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Teachers Advisory Council (TAC)
SUMMARY**

JUNE 17, 2021

Present: Brooke Bartrug, Misty Bivens, Susan Cintra, Tiffany Dunn, Matthew Haynes, Allen Hensley, Kaysin Higgins, Jennifer Howard, Rhea Isenberg, April Jackson, Quentin Johnson, Amanda Klare, Amy Leasang, Charlene Martin, Jande Modlin, Beverly Rutledge, Kim Saylor, Jamaal Stiles, Taylor Sullivan, Waide Williams

ABSENT: Angela Beavin, Chanda Britt, Bo Mullins, Abigail Nash, Scott Osborn

WELCOME: Stacy Noah, TAC liaison, welcomed everyone and brought the meeting to order. Commissioner of Education Jason E. Glass addressed the group and provided insight into the department's continued, intentional focus on equity issues. New members of TAC were recognized.

Agenda Item: Review and Approve Minutes from Last Meeting

Presenter: Stacy Noah, Kentucky Department of Education (KDE), TAC liaison

Summary of Discussion: Misty Bivens moved to approve minutes. Beverly Rutledge seconded the motion. Minutes were approved by consensus as noted in the chat feature of Teams.

Feedback: None.

Follow-up Required: None.

Agenda Item: Commissioner's Student Advisory Council Equity Project Update

Presenters: Anastasia Panaretos, Oldham County Schools; Caleb Bates, Breathitt County Schools; and Anna Williams, Anderson County Schools

Summary of Discussion: Students shared information about their Equity Project, including a video where student members and KDE Chief Equity Officer Thomas Woods-Tucker were highlighted expressing their thoughts about the differences in equity and equality. Plans for widespread dissemination of their project are being developed by this student group.

Feedback: TAC members commented on the presentation made by Panaretos and Williams, noting their hard work and excellent information to share. The idea of sharing personal stories to build empathy was noted as critical to the work.

Follow-up Required: There was interest in reaching out to these students again to share information in podcasts at individual schools. KDE Communications Director Toni Konz-Tatman also let the members know about applications for the SAC, after a question was posed about student membership on the student advisory council.

Agenda Item: Key Actions for Accelerating Student Learning

Presenters: Micki Ray and Misty Higgins, Office of Teaching and Learning, KDE Division of Program Standards

Summary of Discussion: Higgins and Ray provided links to important resources around guidance for adjusting curriculum for acceleration, formative assessment process resources including the Model Curriculum Framework, Balanced Assessment Professional Learning Modules, and High-Intensity Tutoring and Vacation Academies.

Feedback: A question was posed around support for students' social-emotional well-being. Community and relationship building in the classroom addressing social-emotional and behavioral supports will be released in August.

Follow-up Required: None.

Agenda Item: Project Update "Teachers Passing Notes"

Presenter: Donnie Piercey, Kentucky Teacher of the Year

Summary of Discussion: Mr. Piercey did not attend the meeting to present, therefore this agenda item was skipped.

Feedback: N/A

Follow-up Required: Stacy Noah told the group she would contact Mr. Piercey to share at the September meeting if they would like to add the item to that agenda.

Agenda Item: Impact Kentucky Survey

Presenter: Veda Stewart, Office of Educator Licensure and Effectiveness, KDE Division of Educator Recruitment and Development

Summary of Discussion: Gratitude was expressed to the 43,089 certified educators across the Commonwealth of Kentucky for elevating their voices and providing feedback about their working conditions (January 2020-February 2020).

The next Impact Kentucky administration will occur in November 2021. The TAC members were asked to provide feedback via a survey Veda Stewart provided.

Feedback: No questions or comments were received. Participants were encouraged to complete the survey to provide valuable feedback. The survey link was provided to council members. <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeB5BSCCw3qDmF-SZp0FgHTNAXPRtk39t-xeKZf9HeI5sCfWQ/viewform>

Follow-up Required: None.

Agenda Item: TAC Chairperson Selection

Presenter: Stacy Noah

Summary of Discussion: The description of the chairperson's duties and responsibilities were provided. The question was posed as to whether nominations, volunteers, or an election process would be needed. After brief silence, Susan Cintra volunteered to step into the new role of TAC chairperson. Consensus to accept Cintra as chairperson followed.

Feedback: Gratitude was expressed from the TAC membership in Susan's willingness to serve in this capacity.

Follow-up Required: Stacy Noah said she would follow up with Susan to prepare and plan for the September meeting.

Agenda Item: Announcements

Presenter: Stacy Noah

Summary of Discussion: The dates for the four quarterly meetings were displayed.

Feedback: None.

Follow-up Required: None.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Presenter: Stacy Noah

Summary of Discussion: Misty Bivens moved to adjourn; Jane Modlin seconded; motion carried by consensus.

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