



**Committee for Mathematics Achievement (CMA)
Meeting Summary
July 29, 2024**

ATTENDANCE: Ashley Adams, Chris Barwell, Melissa Biggerstaff, Donna Froedge, Zac Gibbons, Funda Gonulates, Amy Leasgang, Jeanie Stumbo Jones, Stacy Justus, Jamie-Marie Miller, Anthony Mires, Chrystal Rowland, Jason Taylor, Ed Thome, Kim Zeidler-Waters

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kelly DeLong, Mason Dyer, Amanda Ellis, Jamie Link, Alvia Littleton, Natalie Rashad, Joanna Stevens

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (KDE) REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Jennifer Fraley, Kris Jarboe

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. ET.

SUMMARY:

Agenda Item: Welcome, Approval of July Agenda and February Summary Minutes

Presenter: Ashley Adams, Chair

Summary of Discussion:

Adams welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked new members and guests to introduce themselves. Kris Jarboe provided links to the meeting agenda and February summary minutes in the chat and Adams asked for motions to approve.

Funda Gonulates made a motion to approve the minutes, and Jamie-Marie Miller seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Zac Gibbons made a motion to approve the agenda. Stacy Justus seconded the motion. The agenda was also approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Feedback: No feedback was offered by the committee.

Agenda Item: Kentucky Department of Education Updates

Presenter: Chrystal Rowland, Commissioner of Education Designee

Summary of Discussion:

Rowland welcomed new members and shared that MAF math coaching grants were awarded to 40 additional schools, joining the 11 schools with existing coaching grants. The grants provide funding for release time for teachers to serve as mathematics coaches and funds extensive

professional learning to develop coaching skills. A complete list of these schools can be found on the Competitive Grants web page on the KDE website.

Rowland also shared information regarding the Kentucky Numeracy Counts Act that was passed into law by the Kentucky General Assembly during the 2024 legislative session. The goal of this legislation, sponsored by Rep. James Tipton, is to improve mathematics proficiency for all Kentucky students through multiple comprehensive actions. Rowland provided information regarding accessing Kentucky Numeracy Counts Act legislative guidance and timelines for implementation. She announced that Jennifer Fraley, Ed.D., will be the point of contact for this legislation and shared her contact information.

Feedback: No feedback was offered by the committee.

Agenda Item: Summary of Prior Work

Presenter: Ashley Adams, Chair

Summary of Discussion:

Before discussing prior work of the committee, Adams asked members to think about positive mathematical experiences they had enjoyed as students and then gave everyone an opportunity to share these experiences in a small group setting. Everyone then came back together and shared common themes.

Adams shared that in prior meetings, the committee reviewed examples of other state strategic plans for mathematics and discussed possible changes for the current Kentucky strategic plan. To build a foundation for revision work, questions regarding gaps and critical areas were used to guide small group discussions on what specific areas in the current plan require attention. Committee members were then asked to think about reasonable next steps for plan revision. Adams told new committee members that they could also provide feedback through a follow-up survey immediately following the meeting.

Feedback: No feedback was offered by the committee.

Agenda Item: Strategic Plan Revisions

Presenter: Ashley Adams, CMA Chair

Summary of Discussion:

Adams shared that based on prior discussions and committee member feedback, student opportunity and teacher development and support were identified as major gaps in the current strategic plan. There was also consensus regarding the importance of including precise language in the strategic plan with actionable goals.

It was decided at the February CMA meeting that forming subcommittees would be the most efficient way to begin strategic plan revisions. It was also suggested that additional shareholders and others who have specific areas of expertise be included in subcommittee work to enhance the revision process as needed. Adams concluded that the current goal of the

committee is to develop a solid strategic plan that reflects the needs of today's learners, supports teacher effectiveness at all levels and includes intentional and actionable goals.

Feedback:

Rowland supplemented Adams' remarks by talking further about the subcommittee process. She shared that the subcommittee charge would be to use committee member feedback regarding necessary revisions to the current strategic plan to develop a draft document to bring back to the full committee for review and feedback. Rowland shared that any input from additional shareholders who may not be represented on the committee would also be welcomed as feedback for the full committee.

Follow-up Required: This item will be discussed further at subsequent meetings.

Agenda Item: Next Steps and Meeting Dates

Presenter: Ashley Adams, Chair

Summary of Discussion:

Adams opened the floor for questions and/or comments and shared that the next CMA meeting will be October 28th, 2024. Subsequent meetings are scheduled for January 27th and April 28th, 2025.

Feedback:

Ed Thome asked for clarification on how the subcommittee will be organized. Adams responded that the subcommittee would meet as one large group, but that smaller focus groups could be utilized at a later date based on the needs of the subcommittee.

Miller asked if a time had been set for the subcommittee meeting, and Adams deferred to Jarboe. Jarboe stated that a survey will be sent to all committee members regarding interest in subcommittee work and times of availability.

Follow-up Required: This item will be discussed further at subsequent meetings.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Presenter: Ashley Adams, Chair

Summary of Discussion:

Adams asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Jason Taylor. Jeanie Stumbo Jones seconded the motion, and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m. ET.

Feedback: No feedback was offered by the committee.