SUMMARY MINUTES ARE DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT BUILDING A BOLD NEW FUTURE WITH COMMUNITIES MEETING, SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 7, 2023



## **KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

## **BUILDING A BOLD NEW FUTURE WITH COMMUNITIES**

Feb. 13, 2023

Agenda Item: Welcome

Presenter: Caleb Bates, Standing Committee Chair

Summary of Discussion: Bates provided opening remarks and a welcome to committee members.

Agenda Item: Approve Minutes from Last Meeting and Roll Call of Members

**Presenter:** Meredith Brewer, Director of Education Policy, Office of the Commissioner, Kentucky Department of Education (KDE)

**Summary of Discussion:** Brewer completed a roll call and secured approval of the minutes from the January Bold New Future (BNF) meeting.

<u>Agenda Item:</u> Discussion Around Potential Policy Barriers and Solutions for Local Laboratories of Learning (L3s) and Other Deeper Learning Programs

**Presenter:** Lillian Pace, KnowledgeWorks; Julia Rawlings, Assistant Superintendent, Rowan County Schools; Traysea Moresea, Superintendent, Greenup County Schools; Travis Hamby, Superintendent, Allen County Schools

**Summary of Discussion:** Pace provided an overview of the presentations with a focus on learning more about the experiences of the L3 communities. The group had presenters from Rowan, Greenup and Allen counties. The presenters shared their experiences with the current education system, focusing on assessment and accountability, and the impact it has on teachers and students. General thoughts were shared on areas for improvement.

Feedback: Members went into small group discussions and reflected on the presentations and how they could continue the dialogue with district leaders going forward. Post breakout room reflection centered on the need to understand how the L3's could be more involved, including through a more regular data collection process, more regular presentations, and a process by which the BNF committee can take its learnings back to the L3's and test them out.

Agenda Item: Opportunity Analysis/Talking Points Update

**Presenter:** Meredith Brewer, Director of Education Policy, Office of the Commissioner, Kentucky Department of Education , and Jon Alfuth, KnowledgeWorks

**Summary of Discussion:** Brewer provided an update regarding talking points, made it clear that they would be available to the group and offered to give people access to additional resources. Alfuth provided an update on KnowledgeWorks' ongoing work.

Agenda Item: Committee Member Updates

Presenter: Vice Chair Bentley White

**Summary of Discussion:** White fielded questions from the committee members, including summarizing how the KBE presentation the previous week went.

**<u>SUMMARY</u>**: The Bold New Future meeting included presentations featuring leadership from three Local Laboratories of Learning (L3) and provided members with an opportunity to reflect on the implementation of deeper learning in the highlighted districts. L3 members identified current policy barriers for committee members to consider when developing a future policy agenda. Finally, committee members engaged in dialogue with the L3 representatives to brainstorm how a "feedback loop" could be developed to ensure recommended Kentucky United We Learn Council policy priorities reflect the needs of communities fostering deeper learning within their schools/districts. The committee will meet again March 7.