



KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Kentucky United We Learn Council
Vibrant Learning Experiences (VLE) Standing Committee

JUNE 21, 2023

Agenda Item: Welcome and Connection

Presenter: Justin Dunning, Chair

Summary of Discussion:

Dunning asked the committee to think of a well-loved student or a student who really influenced them and keep him/her in mind. Dunning reviewed the current six-month goal and definition of Vibrant Learning and invited the VLE committee to comment and provide feedback.

Agenda Item: Roll Call

Presenter: Karen Perry, University of Kentucky

Agenda Item: Approve Minutes from Last Meeting and Goals

Presenter: Rhea Isenberg, Member

Summary of Discussion:

Isenberg summarized the prior meeting's agenda and the VLE committee approved those minutes.

Agenda Item: BNF and AI Committee Updates

Presenter: Karen Perry, University of Kentucky

Summary of Discussion:

Perry reminded the committee of the goal to develop a map to identify places where Vibrant Learning (VL) is happening in Kentucky (KY). Perry summarized the goals of other United We

Learn standing committees. Dunning suggested the committee ask what VL looks like at the KY School for the Blind and other schools were suggested by additional VLE members for site visits and/or other input.

Agenda Item: Potential Need for VLE Co-Chair

Presenter: Justin Dunning, Chair

Summary of Discussion:

Dunning discussed the responsibilities of the co-chair and answered any questions that the VLE members had in order to select a co-chair such as the Kentucky United We Learn planning meetings and representing the VLE among other standing committees.

Follow-up Required:

The VLE decided to nominate and elect/appoint this position at a later date when more VLE members are present.

Agenda Item: Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) Learning Experiences Special Committee Update

Presenter: Karen Perry, University of Kentucky

Summary of Discussion:

Perry shared that KBE would like to work more closely and be more involved/informed with the work of the United We Learn Council in order to better support this effort and help KBE align this work in a way that reflects best practice. The VLE read and looked for VLE aspects within the KBE Learning Experiences Value Statements.

Agenda Item: Storytelling Systems and Exploration of Deeper Learning Destinations from Ohio Valley Education Cooperative (OVEC)

Presenter: Rachel Albright, OVEC, and Sarah Snipes, KDE

Summary of Discussion:

Albright shared the OVEC journey for developing the definition of deeper learning. Coleman stated that the teachers highlighted did not have Project Based Learning training and that these examples should be doable for all. Perry asked about the school nomination form and how that form is shared with others and Albright said the places they used were selected instead of by use of the form as the form was not as good as word of mouth. Perry suggested working with the co-ops to select locations to see examples of Vibrant Learning.

Agenda Item: Agenda Items for July

Presenter: Karen Perry, University of Kentucky

Summary of Discussion:

Perry suggested that in July the committee can ask for nominations for the co-chair and asked volunteers to visit co-ops and other standing committees.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Presenter: Justin Dunning, Chair

SUMMARY:

At the Vibrant Learning Experiences (VLE) Committee meeting, Chair Dunning reviewed the six-month goal and invited input on the concept of Vibrant Learning. Perry discussed creating a map of Vibrant Learning sites across Kentucky and outlined goals of other United We Learn committees. The idea of exploring Vibrant Learning at the Kentucky School for the Blind and other schools was suggested. Co-chair responsibilities were discussed, with the election deferred until more members could attend. Perry highlighted the Kentucky Board of Education's intent for closer collaboration with the United We Learn Council. The committee examined the KBE Learning Experiences Value Statements for VLE aspects, and Rachel Albright discussed OVEC's deeper learning storytelling process. Suggestions included leveraging co-ops for selecting Vibrant Learning locations. Plans were set to nominate a co-chair in July and encourage volunteers to visit co-ops and other committees.