

KBE Special Committee- Student Learning Experiences
May 10, 2023, 11:00 a.m. ET
Teams Teleconference Meeting
Kentucky Department of Education
Meeting Minutes

- **Call to Order**

Chair Snipes welcomed everyone and called the KBE Special Committee-Student Learning Experiences meeting to order at 11:00am. Chair Snipes explained how the meetings will flow for this committee and asked the members to please choose a project-based learning essential design element breakout group on student learning experiences that interests you.

- **Roll Call**

Dr. Meredith Brewer called the roll. Member present were as follows: Sasha Reinhardt, Crystal Rowland, Kris Jarboe, Patrice McCrary, Melody Cooper, Sarah McIntosh, Elizabeth Hack, JoAnn Adams, Sarah Snipes, Leann Lewis, Amav Dharmagadda, Deborah Winkler, Kelsey Ruble, and Fox DeMoisey. Guests present: David Cook, Micki Ray, Thomas Woods-Tucker, Andre Rupp, and Meredith Brewer.

- **Discussion**

Chair Snipes opened the meeting by thanking everyone for joining and that she is excited to begin this collaborative work. She also thanked everyone for diving into some pre-reading and for completing the interests survey. The purpose of this special committee is to build a shared understanding of the learning experiences happening in Kentucky schools through a variety of initiatives and projects, such as Gold-Standard Project-Based Learning and KY's Multi-Tiered System of Supports (KyMTSS) Framework. Together, we will synthesize our learning and co-create recommendations for the state board of education that emphasize our support for the types of learning experiences we value and want to see given to every student in Kentucky.

Chair Snipes began the conversations by providing a quick overview of the Division of Innovation initiatives and the main goal of Kentucky United We Learn. This is the agency's driving force and vision is United We Learn which was a state-wide listening tour (empathy stopping pausing and listening to people who are engaged in the education system across Kentucky. That is vibrant learning, innovation in assessment, and collaboration to build a bold new future. Today, we are going to frame our conversations specifically around Gold Standard Project-Based Learning. We have several districts already who have teachers who are using the vibrant learning experiences happening every day through project-based learning.

The committee divided into six break-out groups which were each focused on one PBLWorks' Gold Standard project-based learning essential design elements on student learning experiences. Each group had discussion questions and shared good conversations related to each learning experience element.

- **Next Steps**

Chair Snipes closed the meeting with stating she will be sending the members a follow up email with a google folder where she will drop more resources in that folder and additional supports. Specifically, one item named innovative teacher spotlights because many of you indicated interest in our teacher cohort group and what teachers are doing related to the three big ideas of United We Learn.

- **Adjournment**

Chair Snipes thanked everyone for their time and attendance. The KBE Special Committee on Learning Experiences will reconvene on May 24th at 10am. The meeting adjourned at 12pm ET.