



KWIB
Joint Committee Meeting of
Education Attainment and Completion
and
Employer Engagement

AGENDA
February 25, 2021
12 – 1:30 pm

Via Zoom

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- **Welcome** John Lyons, KWIB Executive Director
Beth Davisson, Chair, Kentucky Chamber

- **Perkins Grants Review Update** John Lyons

- **CTE Certification Review – Continuous Improvement Subcommittee** Beth Davisson

- **Think Tank Discussion on Increasing Work Based Learning** Beth Davisson
 - *When it comes to increasing Work-Based Learning opportunities for students in Kentucky (secondary and post-secondary), what do we need to be considering?*

- **Other** Beth Davisson

- **Adjournment**



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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Beth Davisson - CHAIR	X	Mike Willand	
Dr. Aaron Thompson		Michelle DeJohn	
Scott Pierce	X	Scott Broughton	
Kris Williams (Anna Larson)	X	Myra Wilson	X
Misty Edwards	X	John A. Lyons	
Jason Luring		Bo Matthews	X
Amy Neal		Dianne Owens	X
Dr. Mike Stacy		Jonathan Webb (Amy Samples)	X
Dr. OJ Oleka		Dr. Dallas Kratzer	X
Kim Humphrey	X	Jessie Schook	X
Mason Dyer		Kara McFadyen	
Karen McFadyen	X	Senator Jimmy Higdon	
Jessica Cunningham	X	Tony Georges	
Scott Secamiglio	X	Todd Schmiedeler	X
David Horseman		Harper Smith	X
Anna Larson	X	Sara Tracy	X
Mike Buchanon		Julie Whitis	X
John Oliva	X	Michael Buckentin	X
Mike Smith		Kylie Whitaker	X
Tonya Crum	X	LaKisha Miller	X
		Lisa Banner	X

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jacob McAndrews	Tim Wireman	Debbie Dennison
Alisher Burikamov	Marsha Wells	

12:01PM CALL TO ORDER

Beth Davisson, Committee Chair, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. She thanked everyone for their interest and asked that this committee problem-solve and work through bottlenecks and build solutions. Beth walked through the agenda briefly and added that she would like for Scott Secamiglio of KY Stats to walk through the WORKR stats site, which is a new way to take data and graphically provide

information for review on Kentucky's workforce participation and as it compares to surrounding states. Report link for WORKR: <https://kystats.ky.gov/Reports/Tableau/WORKR>

Debbie Dennison, KWIB Executive Secretary provided a brief update on the Perkins Grant presentations; they have concluded and the Leadership team will make final comments and share at the KWIB Quarterly board meeting. ECU did withdrawal their application. The presentations and applications can be viewed at <https://kwib.ky.gov/About/Pages/Schedule-of-Meetings.aspx> - CTE / Perkins Leadership Subcommittee meetings.

Kylie Whitaker, Office of Career & Technical Education, will Chair the new sub-committee that will review Certification challenges, expirations and issues. His subcommittee will be conducting a survey to Kentucky businesses to current certification paths, needs, and identify any gaps. Surveys being sent via email and through social media the week of March 1, 2021.

Committee members will include and will host first meeting on March 31, 2021 at 11am EST.

Kylie Whitaker	CTE Dept of Education
LaKisha Miller	KY Chamber - Director TPM
Rider Rodriguez	Kentuckiana Works - on behalf of) Michael Gritton
Tara Noem (N. KY)	LWDA N. Ky
Julie Whitis	Ignite Institute
Scott Pierce	Labor
Suhas Kulkarni	Indus, Inc.
Kim Humphreys	River View Coal
Beth Davisson	Ky Chamber
John Lyons	KWIB
Myra Wilson	Cumberlands LWDA

Beth Davisson, kicked off the discussion around **Increasing Work Based Learning**. *When it comes to increasing Work-Based Learning opportunities for students in Kentucky (secondary and post-secondary), what do we need to be considering?*

- Conversation should include the LWDA Directors
- Bus to Business; what is its effectiveness?
- Scholars limited in options within education credits tied to WBL
- Fact vs Fiction - Businesses are nervous when hosting interns (age and liability) - Barriers – manufacturing, alcohol mfg (under 21); HIPAA / medical issues
- Limited information on “how to” for employers –need to build on stories of success, create a video or connecting site with information for employers and those interested in applying for WBL or internships.
- Counselors across the state are not all thoroughly educated on opportunities ; suggest “lunch n’ learns”
- Mental health issues scare off employers
- GED + programs
- Web offerings –Google IT instruction broadening the audience potential

Links provided for review as follows:

https://education.ky.gov/CTE/cter/Documents/Youth_Employment_Solutions_Brochure.pdf

<https://education.ky.gov/CTE/cter/Pages/TRACK-Res.aspx>

Here is a quick PDF on WBL https://education.ky.gov/CTE/cter/Documents/WBL_Overview.pdf

<https://dodskillbridge.usalearning.gov/>

<https://education.ket.org/careers-in-demand/>

KWIB can provide these on their site as short-term resource linking to employers.

1:01PM ADJOURNMENT

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