

# **P20 COUNCIL, LAND OF SKY MEETING MINUTES**

## **JOINT MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE & STEERING COMMITTEE**

**Date:** October 20, 2022

**Time:** 10-11AM

### **In Attendance**

Greg Lowe; Dr. Gene Loflin; Dr. William Sederburg; Dr. John Gossett; Deb Tibbetts; Dr. Mark Dickerson; Dr. Michael Dempsey; Emily Nicholson (Staff); Dr. Joseph Fox (Contractor)

### **Welcome**

P20 Chair, Greg Lowe, welcomed attendees to their monthly meeting.

### **Update from October Action Team Meetings**

Mrs. Nicholson stated that all of the five action teams met in October and have specific next steps. Those next steps are briefed in the two videos provided in the agenda.

### **Department of Labor (DOL) Grant**

Mrs. Nicholson reminded the members that P20 was the recipient of a DOL grant in combination with both community colleges. She stated a press release was sent out and that she is working with the grant officer to amend some items before the award is officially released. She stated that P20 will employ a grant coordinator for this and would share the posting once finalized. Dr. Dempsey inquired about how members can promote the DOL grant and suggested a template where partners can input their role in the council and that they could use this to send to their colleagues/contacts. Dr. Fox also suggested a press release for the community so that they could understand how this benefits them. Mrs. Nicholson stated that she could work on both but suggested the press release for the community come out after the details are finalized with the colleges on their enrollment process for the programs designated in this grant.

### **Lumina Foundation**

Dr. Fox briefed the Council on his findings about the Lumina Foundation and how it could potentially be sought for specific components of the Council's mission. A summary detailing his findings was attached to the agenda. Dr. Loflin suggested that one element that could be

pursued is the articulation agreements that have been in circulation for a number of years in the region. Given that these agreements involve all of the school systems and colleges affiliated with Council, it'd be a natural connection. Mrs. Nicholson agreed and would follow up with the recommendations, to included recommended contacts. A meeting will also be arranged with Dr. Cable before she departs UNC-Asheville pertaining to the Foundation. Mrs. Nicholson will also follow up with myFutureNC staff to inquire about their status with the Foundation, per suggestion from Dr. Sederburg. Dr. Sederburg also recommended a look into the Kenan Foundation as well as the Kresge Foundation.

## **Collecting Information**

Mrs. Nicholson shared with members the importance of continuously collecting information from within and outside of the P20 Council so that we have a pulse on the many things happening in the region that are directly influencing our mission. She shared with them a draft survey that was provided in the agenda to begin the process of collecting this information. Drs. Fox, Loflin and Sederburg recommended changes to make the survey more efficient. Mrs. Nicholson will share the next draft at their next meeting for a vote to finalize before distribution.

## **JMBE Fall Application**

Mrs. Nicholson reminded members that the John M. Belk Endowment had invited the Council to apply for \$100,000 in operational funds. She stated that this application would be complete by the end of the week, and submitted, and that any questions about the budget should be shared with her in a timely manner.

P20 Chair, Greg Lowe, closed the meeting and thanked members for attending.