

## MEETING MINUTES

*Draft for approved by the Committee on April 28, 2025*

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Who: Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education  
Meeting Type: Committee on Equal Opportunities  
Date: October 28, 2024  
Time: 1:00 p.m. ET  
Location: ZOOM Teleconference

### CALL TO ORDER

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The Committee on Equal Opportunities (CEO) met Monday, October 28, 2024, at 1:00 p.m., ET. The meeting occurred by ZOOM teleconference. Chair Elaine Walker presided.

### ROLL CALL

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Committee Member attendance:

- Attended: Whitney Allen, Rochelle Brown, David Carpenter Robert Croft, Kellie Ellis, Luv'Tesha Robertson, and Elaine Walker
- Did not attend: CB Akins and Faith Kemper

Dr. Dawn Offutt, Executive Director of Access, Engagement and Belonging, served as recorder of the meeting minutes.

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

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The minutes of the June 24, 2024, meeting were approved as distributed.

### REPORT FROM CPE PRESIDENT

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CPE President, Dr. Aaron Thompson, provided an update to the committee members and reiterated CPE's commitment to serving all students. Dr. Thompson emphasized the gains the state has made in higher education among diverse populations and stressed the importance of the need for the CEO and its work in ensuring the needs of all students are met regardless of background. Dr. Thompson challenged the members to think about how the committee work can be proactive in getting people from all backgrounds to be mentors and emphasized the CPE

Board's commitment to excellence, ensuring a quality education, and measures of success. Dr. Thompson emphasized the importance of having diverse opinions and the need to be able to have discussions in higher education. Finally, Dr. Thompson expressed the need for the committee's input for making higher education in Kentucky a benefit for all students.

## **POLICY REVISION DISCUSSION**

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Dr. Offutt presented a draft proposal for revising the institutional evaluation process to illicit feedback. The draft proposed using new metrics that align with the performance funding model for the quantitative section and dividing the qualitative section into two components.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

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The committee approved the meeting times for the January 27, 2025, and April 28, 2025, meeting times being 3:30pm and 1:00pm respectively. The motion was made by David Carpenter and seconded by Dr. Rochelle Brown.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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The Committee adjourned at 1:55 p.m. ET.