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Dual Enrollment Framework Task Force Commission Agenda July 24, 2019

10:30 a.m., immediately following the Press Conference at The Richlands Art Center Richland Parish School Board Meeting Room 411 Foster St., Rayville, LA 71269

#### **Objective:**

Make recommendations for the establishment of a statewide dual enrollment framework designed to
provide universal access to dual enrollment courses to all qualified public high school juniors and
seniors.

#### **Agenda Items:**

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Election of Chair
- 3. Overview of Legislation
- 4. State of Dual Enrollment in Louisiana
  - Overview
  - Discussion by LCTCS
- 5. Statewide Systems of Dual Enrollment Frameworks Across the Country: Lessons Learned
  - Adam Lowe, Advisor at Education Strategy Group
- 6. Discussion of Process and Next Steps
- 7. Other Business

### **Proposed Next Meetings**

Monday, September 9, 2019 Monday, November 4, 2019 Monday, February 17, 2019

<u>Member</u>	<u>Title</u>	Seat Information as listed in statute
Mr. Donald Songy	Education Policy Advisor, Office of the Governor	(1) The governor or his designee.
Dr. Kim Hunter Reed	Commissioner of Higher Education	(2) The commissioner of higher education or his designee.
Mr. Ken Bradford	Assistant Superintendent	(3) The state superintendent of education or his designee
Ms. Doris Voitier	State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education Member	(4) The president of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education or his designee
Dr. Janet Pope	Executive Director of the Louisiana School Boards Association	(5) The executive director of the Louisiana School Boards Association or his designee.
Mr. Mike Faulk	Executive Director of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents	(6) The executive director of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents or his designee.
Mr. Tomy Byler	Principal at North Vermillion High School	(7) The executive director of the Louisiana Association of Principals or his designee.
Ms. Denise Latour	Past President of the Louisiana School Counselor Association	(8) The president of the Louisiana School Counselor Association or his designee.
Dr. Jeannine O. Kahn	Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs	(9) The chairman of the College and Career Readiness Commission or his designee.
Ms. Carrie Griffin Monica	Executive Director of Stand for Children	(10) Stand for Children
Mr. Barry Erwin	President & CEO of Council for A Better Louisiana	(11) Council for a Better Louisiana
Ms. Caroline Roemer	Executive Director of Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools	(12) Louisiana Public Charter School Association

Wednesday, July 24, 2019

### Richland Parish School Board Meeting Room 411 Foster St. Rayville, LA 71269

#### CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m., Wednesday, July 24, 2019, in the Richland School Board Meeting Room in Rayville, LA. A roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

Members Present	Affiliation
Mr. Donald Songy	Office of the Governor
Dr. Kim Hunter Reed	Board of Regents
Mr. Ken Bradford	Department of Education
Dr. Gary Jones	State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education
Ms. Markey Pierre	Louisiana School Boards Association
Mr. Mike Faulk	Louisiana Association of Superintendents
Mr. Eric Davis	Louisiana Association of Principals
Ms. Denise Latour	Louisiana School Counselor Association
Dr. Jeannine Kahn	College and Career Readiness Commission
Ms. Carrie Griffin Monica	Stand for Children
Mr. Barry Erwin	Council for a Better Louisiana
Ms. Linda Johnson	Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools

#### **Guests:**

Honorable John Bel Edwards, Governor, State of Louisiana

#### **WELCOME**

Governor John Bel Edwards thanked all in attendance at the first meeting to create a dual enrollment framework for the state. He recalled personal experiences of not having dual enrollment offerings when he attended high school and expressed the need to create more opportunities for young people in the state. Governor Edwards emphasized the goal of this task force is to create dual enrollment opportunities for every junior and senior in high school. He acknowledged the challenges present in creating a framework while highlighting the potential of incentivizing high school students and allowing students to earn college credits while in high school. He emphasized the potential of the Task Force and the ultimate result of the framework, advancing our state and he called for actionable suggestions for the upcoming legislative session.

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed called on Chancellor Dennis Epps, Louisiana Delta Community College and Dr. Sheldon Jones, Richland Parish School System Superintendent to speak on the programs present in their community and their partnership.

Chancellor Dennis Epps described the mobile lab which Louisiana Delta Community College has implemented in the district. This lab was created as a response to the needs in rural communities, allowing the lab to go into any community and create dual enrollment opportunities for the area. Dr. Sheldon Jones described the partnership of Richland Parish School System with Louisiana Delta Community College and expressed appreciation for what it means for his students.

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed invited Mr. Richard Strong, Superintendent of West Carroll Parish School System to speak. Mr. Strong described some of the challenges present in implementing Dual Enrollment programs in West Carroll Parish. For example, thinking through logistics and transportation, ensuring that the framework can be implemented for all students including those in rural communities and the need for a focus on career technical and jump-start programs.

Minutes

Discussion continued to address challenges to the traditional model of dual enrollment. During the discussion task force members discussed math remediation, qualification requirements, funding technical course offerings, and faculty cost and retention.

Dr. Gary Jones thanked Governor John Bel Edwards for funding the MFP and teacher pay raises and echoed the challenges present regarding math in the state.

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed summarized the discussion and acknowledged a need for better communication in addressing the guidelines and rules of dual enrollment.

#### **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed called for a co-chair for the Task Force.

Ms. Markey Pierre motioned for a dual chairmanship with Mr. Mike Faulk and Dr. Kim Hunter Reed, seconded by Ms. Linda Johnson. The Task Force unanimously accepted Mr. Mike Faulk as co-chair of the Dual Enrollment Framework Task Force.

#### **OVERVIEW OF LEGISLATION**

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed directed members of the Task Force to review Act 128, which created the Dual Enrollment Framework Task Force. She walked through the legislation describing the assignment of the Task Force.

#### STATE OF DUAL ENROLLMENT IN LOUISIANA

Mr. Ken Bradford provided an overview of dual enrollment programs currently in Louisiana. Mr. Bradford gave a summary of college credit course options, current funding options, and recent findings of dual enrollment programs. During Mr. Bradford's presentation questions concerning differentiated costs, advanced placement course offerings and MFP funding were addressed. (Presentation attached)

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed called for questions and discussion. Mr. Mike Faulk stated a need to get to the school level to determine what needs to be done in order to inform the approach of the Task Force. Ms. Denise Latour emphasized the role school counselors play in the school setting and acknowledged the

workload present for school counselors in the state. Discussion continued concerning addressing the way dual enrollment offerings are communicated and the need to remove the stigma concerning career and technical courses.

Chancellor Dennis Epps provided an overview of LCTCS and the current dual enrollment offerings. Mr. Epps described some of the challenges currently present which include funding technical course offerings and providing support for "bubble students." Mr. Epps described bubble students as students who are close to making the needed ACT score but do not. Mr. Epps also expressed concern for math remediation and addressing the way we can support our students specifically in Math.

## STATEWIDE SYSTEMS OF DUAL ENROLLMENT FRAMEWORKS ACROSS THE COUNTRY: LESSONS LEARNED

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed invited Mr. Adam Lowe from the Education Strategy Group to present on different statewide frameworks present across the United States.

Mr. Adam Lowe, an advisor at the Education Strategy Group, presented on three statewide dual enrollment systems. He shared key findings from Indiana, Georgia, and Ohio. (Presentation attached) During Mr. Lowe's presentation questions regarding financing, eligibility, as well as best practices by each state, were addressed.

Dr. John Hamlin, from LSUE, noted his concern for funding credentialed high school faculty and providing support to increase instructor capacity. He asked if there is currently any plan to spend money to develop faculty to teach dual enrollment course offerings. Dr. Kim Hunter Reed replied Act 128 states the Task Force is to recommend "instructor and student qualifications," therefore the topic of increasing instructor capacity is a topic within the assignment of the legislation. Discussion continued concerning the funding and differing experiences of dual enrollment on college campuses or in high school classrooms.

#### **DISCUSSION OF PROCESS AND NEXT STEPS**

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed proposed dates for the next three meetings and encouraged that meetings be held across the state. The Task Force was in agreement with traveling and holding up to three hours for each meeting.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were noted.

#### **CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed asked for a motion for adjournment. On the motion of Dr. Gary Jones, seconded by Ms. Denise Latour, the meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

### ATTENDEES & GUESTS

Name	Affiliation
Adam Lowe	Education Strategy Group
Dennis Epps	Louisiana Delta Community College
Sheldon Jones	Richland Parish School Board
Kaitlin Arnett	Louisiana Delta Community College
Seth Hall	Louisiana Delta Community College
Chris Vidrine	LSU
Stephanie Walker	Richland Parish School Board
Sandra Cormier	LSUE
John Hamlin	LSUE
Johnnie Mathis	RPD
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