

MASTERY-BASED LEARNING WORK GROUP MEETING

October 22, 2020 Meeting Agenda

1:00-4:00 p.m.

Location: [Zoom meeting](#)

Agenda:

1:00-1:15 Welcome and Updates

Randy welcomed work group members and provided several updates around the work the State Board of Education (SBE) has been engaged in to further the goals of the work group. SBE has drafted a proposed bill to extend this work group to allow for the development of a "Profile of a Washington Graduate" and other continued work to move toward implementation of mastery-based learning in Washington. The draft bill has been shared widely and is currently being reviewed by the Governor's office. The Board has also engaged a consultant to assist in identifying opportunities for private philanthropic resources to support implementation.

Alissa discussed the Aurora Institute's invitation to work group members to attend the National Policy Forum 2020, an invite-only convening for state education policy leaders and staff on November 13, 2020, from 10:00-12:00. The agenda will provide a national overview of state policies to advance education innovation and exemplars of policy in leading states (10-minute snapshots). Several work group members indicated interest in attending. On a related note, Alissa reminded members that the Aurora Institute is offering their virtual [conference](#) free of charge this year. It is next week on October 26-28.

Alissa also shared that the goal of the meeting was to come to consensus on most of the draft recommendations—as well as identify any areas staff need to pay special attention to in the next draft of the report that will be the focus of discussion at our final meeting on November 19.

1:15-2:00 Small Group Discussion

Alissa shared that the purpose of the small group discussion is to provide an opportunity for members to spend dedicated time with a section of the report, as well as to flag anything that needs full group discussion.

Members engaged in rich discussion regarding their assigned sections of the report, and staff facilitators took notes in the draft report to be incorporated into the next version of the report.

2:00-2:15 Public Comment

No one wished to provide public comment.

2:15-3:40 Discussion of Draft Report

Each small group had a chance to share a summary of their discussion with the full group and point out the areas of the report they hoped to have the full group discuss in more depth.

Alissa took notes in the draft report of specific recommendation language that needed revisions to better align with the group's thinking, as well as concepts that needed additional explanation. Members agreed that the draft report is coming together well, and that beyond the particular sections that were discussed as needing some revision, they felt comfortable with how the recommendations are progressing.

3:40-3:55 Discussion: Debrief the Day

Work group members agreed they would like to hear from an outside presenter to kick-off the November meeting, before spending the majority of the meeting finalizing their report.

3:55-4:00 Next Steps

Alissa asked members to send her any final thoughts or specific edits they did not have a chance to raise during the meeting, so they can be included in the next version of the draft report. The updated draft report will be sent to members for their review on November 12 before our final meeting on November 19.

4:00 Adjourn