

MINUTES

School of Education /Global Advisory Committee

October 22, 2025

Liberty University, Teams Meeting

Required Attendees: Dr. Michelle Goodwin, Dr. Laurie Rice, Dr. DeJarnette

Absent: List names of required attendees who are absent

Guests: Goodwin, Michelle Elaine (School of Education)

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Monica

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Chelonnda Seroyer (Professional Development)

Lynn Hodges

Katie Mullicane

Battige, Sandra L (School of Education)

Ines Gyax-Ashton School

Deb Samuelson

Germain, Christina Marie (Ctr for Counseling & Family Studies)

Jalomo, Lisa

Anne Snead

Smith, Samuel James (School of Education)

Crystal Howard

Bowles, Kerry Lynn (Ctr for Counseling & Family Studies)

J. Dillard

McHale, Margaret (School of Education)

Christopher Bennett

Bianca Stewart

DeJarnette, Nancy Kay (School of Education)

Plotts, Carol J
Daman Harris
Patti, Yoon K (School of Education)
Nino Mason
Gregg
Jared Thomsen
Susan Christine
Rice, Laurie Ruthe (School of Education)
Paula Hall
Karen Weigle
Christopher Pickell
Nate Davis
Angela Frazier (Columbia Middle School)
Rachel David
Sara Desmond
Dawn Thompson (DeKalb Academy of Technology and Environment)
Lori Neuman
Veronica Jackson
Lucas Ness
Sara MacDermid
Kathleen Bahan
Jessica Adams

Recorded by: Carmen Durst

Handout Materials

- None
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Presider: Dr. Rice

New Business Items:

Presented by Dr. Rice:

1. Simulation Classrooms Expansion

- Liberty has expanded its elementary simulation classroom initiative to include secondary classrooms.
- Funded by the Dean Excellence Fund, these classrooms now include movable desks and traditional secondary classroom items.
- Students use these spaces for practice teaching, video reflection, and peer collaboration.

2. Professional Development Video Library

- A new PD video library was launched in August.
- Topics were selected based on partner feedback from previous GAC meetings.
- Videos are designed for use in PLCs and faculty meetings and are available on the SOE partnership website.
- Partners are encouraged to suggest future topics via email.

3. Local Partnership Breakfast

- Liberty hosted a breakfast for local school leaders (public, private, and Christian schools within an hour radius).
- Purpose: to gather feedback and understand local needs.
- Featured speaker: Dr. Watson (Music Education).

Presented by Dr. Goodwin:

1. New Undergraduate Program
 - Launch of B.Ed. in Special Education (General Curriculum K–12 and Adapted Curriculum).
 - Available residentially and online.
 - Designed for paraprofessionals or others seeking licensure.
 - State-approved by Virginia DOE.

Data Sharing & Accreditation

Presented by Dr. Nancy Dejarnette:

Advanced Licensure Programs

- **Administration & Supervision (MED, EdS, EdD):** Strong performance across all five assessment components.
- **Math & Reading Specialist Programs:** Small cohorts but high scores; Liberty seeks to grow these programs.

Initial Licensure – edTPA Data

- edTPA is required at Liberty, though not mandated by Virginia.
- Tasks include Planning, Instruction, Assessment, and (for Elementary) Math Re-teaching.
- Liberty candidates generally score above benchmark, though slightly below national averages in some areas.

- Elementary Math (Task 4) identified as an area for improvement.
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Partner Feedback Highlights

Strengths of LU Candidates

- Strong work ethic, initiative, and positive attitude.
- Candidates are well-prepared, organized, and tech-savvy.
- Appreciation for CORE platform usability and flexibility.

Areas for Growth

- Some partners noted the need for more career-switcher support.
- Continued refinement in math re-teaching and assessment practices.

Advanced Candidates

- Positive feedback on project contributions and volunteerism.
 - Some partners requested more visibility into advanced program outcomes.
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Data & Partnership Engagement

- Partners value receiving graduate rosters for recruitment.
 - Desire for continued access to student progress data, exit surveys, and VEAC employer feedback.
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Upcoming Events & Opportunities

- Career Fair: March 10, 2026
 - Advisory Council members will receive early access.
 - PD Video Feedback: Partners encouraged to share usage and suggest new topics.
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Closing Remarks

- Liberty expressed deep appreciation for partner schools.
- Emphasis on mutual benefit, collaboration, and ongoing communication.
- Dr. Rice thanked attendees and invited follow-up questions.