

TITLE: Update on Career Development Collaboration Efforts

DESCRIPTION: The Academic and Strategic Initiatives Committee received a briefing on the work of a newly formed group, the Career Development Officers.

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COMMITTEE'S REVIEW

The Academic and Strategic Initiatives Committee received this information report at their June 6, 2023, meeting. It will not be covered or presented in detail at the June 9 board meeting; however, staff will be available for questions.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The Career Development Officers, CDO, is the Council on Postsecondary Education's newest affinity group. The group's purpose is to operate as a resource, to share innovative ideas, policies, and strategies, and to assist those on Commonwealth campuses who oversee and work within Career Services or Career Development departments. The CDO group is designed to address current and projected workforce shortages in Kentucky.

In January 2023, CPE asked campus presidents to identify at least one leader from their institution to represent their campus in the CDO group. Since then, participation in the CDO has grown to include campus senior leaders and more direct student-facing staff. Meetings occur bi-monthly and include a labor market report, a guest presenter, and a roundtable discussion. Speakers during this inaugural year of the affinity group have included: Dr. Aaron Thompson, CPE President; Dr. Dave Clayton, Senior Vice President of Research at the Strada Education Foundation; and Lieutenant Governor Jacqueline Coleman. An in-person Summer 2023 symposium for the group is in development.