

**Profile of a Graduate  
Design Team Meeting Summary  
December 7, 2020**

The Profile of a Graduate Design Team held its first meeting virtually on December 7, 2020. The Design Team was formed by the Wyoming State Board of Education (SBE) to establish the processes to be used in completing the three phases of the development of the Profile of a Wyoming Graduate. You may access the Design Team meeting agenda [here](#). A copy of the slide presentation for the meeting may be found [here](#).

SBE Chairman, Ryan Fuhrman, opened the meeting with a welcome and introduction of the board's facilitators for the profile work. Facilitators are Sue Belish, Wanda Maloney, Julie Kocourek, and Diana Clapp. The following are the Design Team members:

Ryan Fuhrman, Chair  
Debbie Bovee, State Board  
Lachelle Brant, Governor's Office  
Ben Carr, High School Principal  
Ryan Clark, K-8 Principal  
Kim DeVore, Business/Industry  
Dana Eddy, Parent  
JoAnn Flanagan, Superintendent  
Nish Goicolea, PTSB  
Ron Gullberg, Business/Industry

Carol Jelaco, School Board Member  
R.J. Kost, Legislator  
Ben Moritz, Community College  
Catherine Palmer, WDE  
Leslie Rush, UW COE  
Kathryn Sessions, State Board  
Jim Stith, Teacher  
Sonya Tysdal, Curriculum Director  
Andrea Wood, Teacher

Design Team members engaged in an activity to identify the multiple hats each member wears. Team members were encouraged to expand their representation to include those perspectives, as well as be mindful of stakeholder groups less represented on the team.

Design Team members viewed a list of stakeholder groups. Team members were encouraged to bring forward more names/groups/organizations to reach out to during this process. The list of stakeholders may be found [here](#).

Chairman Fuhrman discussed the reasons for engaging in the development of the Profile of a Graduate and reviewed the SBE's three phase approach to the work. Fuhrman emphasized that Phase I – Finding the Foundation involved assessing the current reality by finding out what work districts are already doing in defining a graduate profile, gathering existing data such as workforce data, and holding stakeholder input meetings.

Chairman Fuhrman then reviewed the Design Team's expected deliverables for Phase I which include:

- Determine questions to ask stakeholders
- Provide background materials to share with stakeholders

- Synthesize data gathered
- Create materials for media
- Create agendas for stakeholder meetings
- Design process for collecting data
- Provide information for the State Board of Education.

The Design Team then went into a breakout session to review the article [Redefining Student Success: Profile of a Graduate](#) by Susan Patrick, Aurora Institute.

Sue Belish presented the Design Team with information on defining a Profile of a Graduate and provided the team with examples of graduate profiles from Virginia and New Mexico.

Julie Kocourek provided an overview of current statutes related to graduation requirements, as well as state graduation policy in Chapter 31. Current flexibility for local districts to establish graduation requirements was reviewed along with the roles of the state and local districts with regard to graduation.

The Design Team then went into another breakout session to brainstorm the following in preparation for future stakeholder meetings:

- What do we want to know?
- What should we ask?
- Who should we talk to? (see stakeholder list)

### [Recording of Design Team Mtg 12.7.20](#)

The next virtual meeting of the Design Team will be January 26, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. – noon. The public is invited to attend the virtual meeting and time will be provided for public comment.

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