



**TEAM KENTUCKY PRE-K FOR ALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 29, 2025, MEETING**

- I. The regular meeting of the Team Kentucky Pre-K for All Advisory Committee was called to order by Sam Flynn, Executive Director of the Pre-K for All Program, on October 29, 2025, at approximately 5:04 PM. The members met virtually via Zoom.

**Committee Members Present:**

Aaron Thompson  
Alvin Garrison  
Carrie Ballinger  
Felicia Cumings Smith  
Greg Terry  
Jamie Link  
Jamie Rodgers  
Jason Slone  
Jeff Noel  
Jeni Ward  
Joel Wolford  
Mary Elizabeth Bailey  
Pamela Morehead-Johnson  
R. Travis Brenda  
Robbie Fletcher  
Rudy Spencer  
Sarah Davasher-Wisdom  
Scott Davis  
Sharon Price  
Steven J. Stack

**Committee Members not Present:**

Alice Forgy Kerr  
Brent Cooper  
Colby Hall  
Derrick Graham  
Laura White-Brown  
Maddie Shepard  
Ron Bunch  
Ruth Ann Palumbo



Additional Attendees:

Ben Weathers, Outreach Coordinator, Pre-K for All Program  
Georgiana K. Ledford, Executive Advisor, Pre-K for All Program  
Malaya Rivers, Executive Administrator, Pre-K for All Program  
Oran S. McFarlan III, Special Advisor, Pre-K for All Program  
Sam Flynn, Executive Director, Pre-K for All Program  
Sarah Hail, Deputy Executive Director, Governor's Office of Legislative Affairs  
Andrea Day, Director, Division of Childcare, Department of Community Based Services, Cabinet for Health and Family Services  
Kelsey Turley, Director, Head Start Collaboration, Education and Labor Cabinet  
Lynn Baker, Executive Director, Governor's Office of Early Childhood, Education and Labor Cabinet  
Lesa Dennis, Commissioner, Department of Community Based Services, Cabinet for Health and Family Services  
Leslie Sizemore, Vice President, Council on Postsecondary Education  
Members of the Public

**II. Old Business**

The Committee voted on the approval of the August 26, 2025, regular meeting minutes. Mr. Slone made a motion to approve the minutes, and Judge Terry seconded. The motion carried 20-0.

**III. New Business**

**a. Report from Executive Director**

Mr. Flynn provided an update on the Program and discussed Pre-K for All's recent events, outreach efforts, and current legislative plan. Mr. Flynn also highlighted the widespread support for Pre-K for All and briefly revisited the Program's mission and Executive Order 2025-351.

**b. Discussion of Report Findings and Recommendations**

Prior to the meeting, Committee members received a draft of the Pre-K for All Report Findings and Recommendations for consideration. Mr. Flynn provided an overview of the substance of that report and discussed each of the findings and recommendations.

**c. Approval of Report Findings and Recommendations**

After providing an overview, the Committee voted on the approval of the Pre-K for All Report Findings and Recommendations. Dr. Cumings Smith made a motion to approve the findings and recommendations, and Mr. Slone seconded. A roll-call vote was taken as follows:

Aaron Thompson (by proxy, cast by Leslie Sizemore): Yes  
Alice Forgy Kerr (by proxy, cast by Sam Flynn): Yes  
Alvin Garrison: Yes  
Brent Cooper (by proxy, cast by Sam Flynn): Yes  
Carrie Ballinger: Yes  
Felicia Cumings Smith: Yes  
Greg Terry: Yes  
Jamie Rodgers: Yes  
Jason Slone: Yes  
Jeff Noel: Yes  
Jeni Ward: Yes  
Joel Wolford: Yes  
Maddie Shepard (by proxy, cast by Sam Flynn): Yes  
Mary Elizabeth Bailey: Yes  
Pamela Morehead-Johnson: Yes  
R. Travis Brenda: Yes  
Robbie Fletcher: Yes  
Rudy Spencer: Yes  
Ruth Ann Palumbo (by proxy, cast by Sam Flynn): Yes  
Sarah Davasher-Wisdom: Yes  
Scott Davis: Abstain – Personally supportive but wanted to allow the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce to state its position.  
Sharon Price: Yes  
Steven J. Stack: Yes  
Jamie Link: Yes

The motion passed (23 in favor, 1 abstention).

**IV. Comments and Announcements**

Committee members asked questions, made comments, and provided feedback about the report.

A member of the public asked how the Program would plan to address teacher shortages.



## **V. Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mr. Davis moved to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Slone seconded, and the motion carried 20-0 (approximately 6:13 PM).

*Jamie Link* 11/19/2025  
Secretary Jamie Link  
Committee Chair