



Penn State

Commission for Adult Learners

Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

Date: June 21, 2023

Time: 12:00 – 1:00PM

Welcome

[April 19](#) and [May 17](#) Minutes Approval

Approved

Kelly motioned and Chuck seconded

Committee Report Reminder

Jeff has received everyone's reports

Matt Melvin Debrief

Nothing new or out of the ordinary- Good to have him involved in the conversation and hopefully it will be mutually beneficial and hopefully he will be a beacon to help get CAL message out. May want to meet with him and Jeff Adams over the summer and provide background information on CAL so they come into the Fall meeting with good knowledge.

Right now executive sponsors include

Renata S. Engel

Jeff Adams

Matt Melvin

Hendrick Conference

Seeking Keynote Speaker – someone dynamic

This is a key missing piece

Kelly- Ask Neeli Bendapudi to speak or have someone who is a futurist speak. Wellness/Resiliency after pandemic.

Chuck did talk to Jeff about inviting the president to the meeting but have not heard back.

Judy Wills has worked with keynote in the past and may have some ideas.

Bill suggested the following as a futurist speaker

. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RFcFFRx2k2s>

Dr. **Michelle R. Weise** (pronounced W-ice) leads Rise & Design, an advisory service tailored for organizations seeking to design education and workforce strategies that will prepare working-age adults for the jobs of today and tomorrow. She is the author of *Long-Life Learning: Preparing for Jobs that Don't Even Exist Yet* (Wiley, 2021). Her book was awarded the 2021 Phillip E. Frandson Award for Literature by UPCEA (University Professional and Continuing Education Association), recognizing the author and publisher of an outstanding work of continuing higher education literature. Thinkers50 named her one of 30 management and leadership thinkers in the world to watch in 2021.

In the past, Dr. Weise has served as Vice Chancellor of Strategy and Innovation at National University System, Senior Advisor at Imaginable Futures, a venture of The Omidyar Group. She was also the Chief Innovation Officer of Strada Education Network as well as of Southern New Hampshire University. With Clayton Christensen, she coauthored *Hire Education: Mastery, Modularization, and the Workforce Revolution* (2014) while leading the higher education practice at Christensen's Institute for Disruptive Innovation.

Her service work includes advising XPrize, BrightHive, a data collaboration platform, the Virginia Economic Development Partnership, the Institute for Higher Education Policy (IHEP), the SkillUp Coalition, Basta, Hitch, Bayes Impact, Clayton Christensen Institute Social Capital R&D Project, and World Education's Personal and Workplace Success Skills Library. She has also served as a commissioner for Massachusetts Governor Baker's Commission on Digital Innovation and Lifelong Learning, Harvard University's Task Force on Skills and Employability, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences' Commission on the Future of Undergraduate Education.

Her commentaries on redesigning higher education and developing more innovative workforce and talent pipeline strategies have been featured in *The Economist*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times*, *Harvard Business Review* and on *PBSNewshour*.

Michelle is a former Fulbright Scholar and a graduate of Harvard and Stanford.

Update Announcements

Thank you to Kelly for her leadership and commitment to CAL

Have a good summer and see you in September.

Adjournment