



# Blue Ribbon Commission for a Globally Prepared Nevada

*A Progress Update*

Presented to the State Board of Education  
January 28, 2021

# GLOBALLY PREPARED



- ❖ **Dr. Jonathan Moore**, Deputy Superintendent for Student Achievement
- ❖ **Dr. Andrew Yoxsimer**, Principal, Incline High School, Washoe County School District



- **Goal 2: All students have access to effective educators**
  - **Transparency Strategy** – Engage in effective communication
- **Goal 3: All students experience continued academic growth**
  - **Success Strategy** – Close pre-k-8 opportunity gaps
- **Goal 4: All students graduate future-ready and globally prepared for secondary success and civic life**
  - **Success Strategy** – Reduce graduation rate opportunity gaps
  - **Community Strategy** – Increase college enrollment
  - **Transparency Strategy** – Co-create policy with stakeholders

# Blue Ribbon Commission (BRC) Charge



- ✓ The Commission's charge is to make recommendations to adjust our current policy framework to meet today's learning conditions, while also leaving room for policies that will support innovation for the next 10 or 20 years
- ✓ The Commission continues to examine existing State laws, regulations, and policies, and make recommendations regarding revisions that will increase flexibility for districts and schools. Topics currently addressed in the Commission's work include, but are not limited to, competency-based education, distance learning, independent study, and instructional time

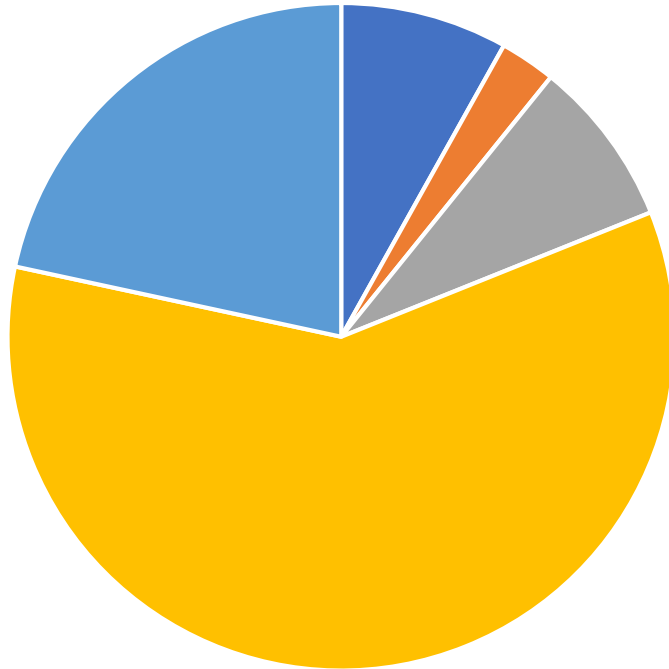


- ❖ **Karla Phillips-Krivickas**, Senior Director of Policy, KnowledgeWorks
- ❖ **Julianna Charles “Charlie” Brown**, Director of Systems Transformation, KnowledgeWorks

# Blue Ribbon Commission Representation



## Race/Ethnicity



■ African American/Black ■ American Indian/Alaska Native ■ Asian ■ Caucasian/White ■ Hispanic/Latino

## Languages Spoken

- English
- Korean
- Spanish

## Counties Represented\*

- Carson City
- Churchill
- Clark
- Douglas
- Elko
- Lincoln
- Lyon
- Mineral
- Pershing
- Washoe
- White Pine

*\*Including charter and private school representatives*

# BRC Members



- **Dr. Mary Alber**, Founding Director, Education Innovation Collaborative
- **Felipe Avila**, Student, East Career and Technical Academy, Clark County School District
- **Rick Benbow**, Regional Vice President, Western Governors University
- **Bridget Bilbray-Phillips**, Chief Academic and Operations Officer, Doral Academy of Nevada
- **Cammie Briggs**, Principal, David E. Norman Elementary School, White Pine County School District
- **Mary H. Bryant**, Program Director, University of Nevada, Reno Path to Independence Program
- **Clarissa M. Cota**, J.D., Vice President/Provost, North Las Vegas Campus, College of Southern Nevada
- **Darlin Delgado**, Principal, Rancho High School, Clark County School District
- **Senator Moises (Mo) Denis**, Nevada State Senate
- **Rebecca Garcia**, President, Nevada PTA
- **Melissa Gruenhagen**, Principal, Cristo Rey St. Viator
- **Mandi Harenberg**, Teacher, Clark County School District
- **Danica G. Hays, Ph.D.**, Interim Dean and Professor, University of Nevada, Las Vegas College of Education
- **Christine Hull**, Parent, Nevada PTA & Nevada Center for Civic Engagement
- **Vihaan Jain**, Student, West Career and Technical Academy, Clark County School District
- **Jesus F. Jara, Ed.D.**, Superintendent of Schools, Clark County School District
- **Lynn M. Jeka**, Teacher / STEM Coach, Yerington Elementary School, Lyon County School District
- **Dr. Bryn E. Lapenta**, Senior Director, Student Accounting, Washoe County School District
- **Jana Wilcox Lavin**, Executive Director, Opportunity 180
- **Gracey Ledbetter**, Student, Silver Stage FFA & Spring Creek High School, Elko County School District
- **Robert Mars**, Principal, Shadow Ridge High School, Clark County School District
- **Lisa M. Martin**, Principal, Ollie Detwiler Elementary School, Clark County School District
- **Assemblywoman Daniele Monroe-Monreno**, Nevada State Assembly
- **Shelly Nee**, Media Specialist, Pershing County High School, Pershing County School District
- **Mario Pabon**, President, Empower America
- **Patrick Peters**, Principal, Silver Stage High School, Lyon County School District
- **Immer Liza Ravalo**, Principal, Dell H. Robison Middle School, Clark County School District
- **Bryon Richardson**, Executive Director, Leadership Academy of Nevada
- **Ben Salkowe**, Principal, Equipo Academy
- **Kamara Snearly**, Teacher, Incline High School, Washoe County School District
- **Dr. Summer E. Stephens**, Superintendent, Churchill County School District
- **Pam Teel**, Superintendent, Lincoln County School District
- **Assemblywoman Jill Tolles**, Nevada State Assembly
- **Lance West**, Principal, Schurz Elementary School, Mineral County School District
- **Alissa Wood**, Head of Communities and Corporate Affairs, Nevada Gold Mines
- **Grace Yim**, Student, Edward C. Reed High School, Washoe County School District



## BRC Meeting Dates

- ❖ November 3, 2020
- ❖ December 15, 2020
- ❖ December 18, 2020
- ❖ January 21, 2021

## Agenda Items

- ❖ Innovation
- ❖ Policy obstacles
- ❖ State policy options
- ❖ Pandemic response
- ❖ Futureproofing Nevada
- ❖ Draft recommendations





**Competency-Based  
Education in Action:  
Incline High School,  
Washoe County  
School District**

Dr. Andrew Yoxsimer, Principal



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