



Valdosta State University

April 15, 2025

Agenda

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| I. | Welcome
Richard Carvajal, President, Valdosta State University | 10:00 a.m. |
| II. | Introductions and Council Acknowledgements
Scott Johnson, Chairman | 10:15 a.m. |
| III. | Valdosta State Literacy and Teacher Education
David A. Slykhuis, Dean, College of Education | 10:30 a.m. |
| IV. | Georgia Reads
Malcolm Mitchell
Georgia Reads Coach, Author, Super Bowl Champion | 10:45 a.m. |
| | GPEE Report Panel Discussion
CARES District Case Study: Rewriting How Reading is Taught

Dana Rickman, President, Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education (GPEE)
Claire Suggs, Education Policy Consultant | 11:00 a.m. |
| | A. Michael Singletary, Grady County Schools
Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Assessment and School Improvement | |
| | B. Mike Looney, Fulton County Schools
Superintendent | |
| | C. Grant Rivera, Marietta City Schools
Superintendent | |
| V. | Lunch and Council Networking
Council and Working Group Members | 12:00 p.m. |
| VI. | Panel Discussion Reflection | 12:45 p.m. |
| VII. | Literacy Plan and Working Group Updates | 1:00 p.m. |
| VIII. | Public Comment | 1:45 p.m. |
| IX. | Next Steps and Adjournment | 2:00 p.m. |