



December 11, 2015

**Re: Association for Learning Environments (A4LE) – Kansas City Chapter**

Dear A4LE Members:

The Association for Learning Environments (A4LE) has had a busy 2015. By now I hope most, if not all of you, have had a chance to learn about the rebranding of CEFPI to A4LE. If you have not, please visit the website at: [www.a4le.org](http://www.a4le.org) and click on the light blue banner at the center of the page that says; “CEFPI rebranded as the Association for Learning Environments... View Announcement”.

A4LE is approximately 4,500 members strong and continues to embrace more disciplines and professions than it ever has before. 2015 has been a very exciting time for the A4LE with its new brand and the growth of additional chapters within its regions.

**The Midwest Greatlakes Region (MWGL) is pleased to announce the addition of the Kansas City Chapter.** As the newly appointed President of the chapter, it is my pleasure to welcome you into our new KC Chapter and invite you to our inaugural members Welcome to the Chapter Event scheduled for:

Date: January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
Time: 5:00pm  
Location: DLR Group (host)  
7290 W. 133<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Overland Park, KS 66213

Sponsor: McCownGordon Construction  
\*\* Light hors d’oeuvres and drinks will be provided.

At the event you will have a chance to meet our new board and participate in a brief brainstorming session on where and what we want our chapter to focus on in its first year. Our board briefly discussed the importance of this chapter being relevant in the pursuit of innovation but yet keeping it practical so that our members can take the information learned and put it into practice within their own professions.

Our board is comprised of the following people:

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| • Brad Kiehl       | President           | DLR Group                             |
| • Kyle Gorrell     | President Elect     | Lee’s Summit R-7 School District      |
| • Michelle Chavey  | Secretary Treasurer | Hollis + Miller Architects            |
| • Dr. Kari Monsees | At-Large Member     | Raymore-Peculiar School District      |
| • Dave Hill        | At-Large Member     | Blue Valley School District (USD 229) |
| • Robert Burkey    | At-Large Member     | Independence School District          |
| • Mark Graviett    | At-Large Member     | North Kansas City School District     |

Please mark your calendars for this upcoming event and plan on attending. We are excited about the learning opportunities this new chapter will bring to our area and look forward to meeting you in January.

Best Regards and Happy New Year,

**Kansas City Chapter – A4LE**

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President