

Equity is an ardent journey toward well-being as defined by the affected. Equity demands sacrifice and redistribution of power and resources in order to break systems of oppression, heal continuing wounds, and realize justice. To achieve equity and social justice, we must first root out deeply entrenched systems of racism. Equity proactively builds strong foundations of agency, is vigilant for unintended consequences, and boldly aspires to be restorative. Equity is disruptive and uncomfortable and not voluntary. Equity is fundamental to the community we want to build.

Children and Youth Advisory Board Meeting Tuesday, November 12, 2019 ~ 6:00pm – 8:30 p.m. King County (DCHS) YouthSource/WorkSource 645 Andover Park West, Tukwila, WA 98188 – Room 105 Skype call-in information: 206-263-8114; conference ID 7512483

MEETING AGENDA

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS – Jessica Werner and Brian Saelens
Recognition of Guests and Staff
Public Comment Period
Approval of October 2019 Meeting Minutes
 Ice Breaker – TBD
OVERSIGHT & ADVISORY: Next 18 Months Presentation Follow-Up or new information – Sheila Capestany
Brief check-in with Sheila to see if there are any new updates, follow-up items and/onew information since the October CYAB presentation on PSTAA, BSK renewal, Child Care Task Force, YAP.
OVERSIGHT & ADVISORY: Best Starts for Kids Financial Update – Tino Salud
Tino will provide a summary of revenues through December of 2018 and 3rd quarte
summary of expenditures and then take questions from the CYAB members.
Update on Best Starts financials
Q&A with board members
BOARD-INITIATED ACTION: Subcommittee and Workgroup Updates
All work groups and subcommittees of the CYAB will provide a 2-minute update on
their work over the past month and what is ahead for November.
BOARD BUSINESS: December Meeting, Recruitment, BSK Summit, etc.
 December 2019 Meeting Location and Plan (volunteers needed) – Co-chairs
 Best Starts for Kids Summit Planning – Co-chairs and Kerry

After the meeting adjourns subcommittees will meet.

CYAB Decision-Making Principles from 2016

Decision: The board decided to create a list of principles to keep in mind and hold for the day while making decisions. The board agreed to have them as a starting point when the board begins the work of creating charters and governance structures. The following are principles the board created on 4/25/16:

- 1. Willingness to compromise
- 2. Respectful discourse is part of the process
- 3. Willingness to make hard decisions and move on
- 4. Try to move out of our own lane
- 5. That we have a spirit of inquiry-it is OK to ask questions
- 6. Honoring different learning styles
- 7. Focus on children and communities but not using a moral high ground AND encourage that the status quo is interrupted. We are reminded of the voice of others but one person does not or cannot represent an entire group
- 8. We need to model the change that we want-be reflective
- Commitment to racial equity and being OK to recognize and support one another and or call out when language being used does not reflect language supportive of this or is offensive. Be open to discussion
- 10. Need to have a spirit of deep empathy
- 11. We are stewards of public money
- 12. When we are uncomfortable, this is an opportunity to learn and grow
- 13. Language used has to be strength based
- 14. We need to be present and must acknowledge our own privilege and challenge it
- 15. We need to recognize and understand that there is not equal power in the room
- 16. Need to assume best intentions
- 17. That there are individual differences within the room
- 18. If we want to see transformational change we need to see the system and think BIG
- 19. Commitment to Continuous learning-CQI (continuous quality improvement)

A list was placed on the wall near the principles to honor learning styles so that others who may need to process can add ideas throughout the day-the following were added by board members:

- Must be good listeners
- Must make decisions and recommendations that challenge the status quo of current process/systems/policies and push for or "err" on the side of equity.
- Help build a campaign
- Children are front and center verses systems