



## **JANUARY 11, 2022 BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

### **Attended by phone:**

Alex Cho, Angela Griffin, Ariana Sherlock, Beth Larsen, Brian Saelens, Bobbe Bridge, Debbie Peterson, Helena Stephens, Hikma Sherka, Jaimée Marsh, Karen Hart, Jessica Werner, Mohamed Abdi, Mutende Katambo, Nancy Woodland, Nathan Buck, Nebiyu Yassin, Rita Alcantara, Rochelle Clayton-Strunk, Suzette Espinoza-Cruz, Thien-Di (Zee) and Do Thomas Bales.

**Members Not Present:** Abigail Echo Hawk, Ben Danielson, Brianna Holden Granado<sup>E</sup>, Corbin Muck, Gloria Hoxsie<sup>E</sup>, Harlan Gallinger, Hye-Kyung Kang, Karen Howe<sup>E</sup>

**CYAB Applicants Present:** Jack Edgerton, Jasmine Fry, Toiya T. Taylor, James Lovell, Dr. Dwane Chappelle, Yolanda Trout, Nicole Herron

**Guests:** Hali Willis (SCA)

**Staff Present:** Kerry Wade, Sheila Capestany and Charlene Jose

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## **6:00 PM, TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2022; ZOOM MEETING**

**Meeting called to order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m.

### **WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **Public Comment:**

- None

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Approval of December Meeting Minutes– Motion: Angela Griffin/Second: Nancy Woodland/Unanimous/Abstentions: Bobbe Bridge, Nathan Buck

### **BOARD BUSINESS: Subcommittee Report Out – Suzette Espinoza-Cruz**

#### **Youth Justice Subcommittee:**

- Last month received a great presentation from Team Child from the Public Defender's Office for King County.
- The subcommittee will not be meeting tonight since Ben Danielson and Zac Davis now meet on Tuesdays so a regular meeting time for the subcommittee will be worked out.

#### **Young Leaders Subcommittee:**

- Getting ready for orientation for new subcommittee members and planning out the year.

#### **PSTAA Advisory Subcommittee:**

- No new updates. Next meeting is January 24<sup>th</sup> so updates will be provided next month.

### **BOARD BUSINESS: What's coming up next for the CYAB – Co-Chairs and BSK Team**

- The executive subcommittee will be going through the notes from the brainstorming session at the December 2021 board meeting, also discussing more on the structure of subcommittees.
- Tomorrow, 1/12 is the Best Starts for Kids RFP (request for proposal) Open House – an opportunity for those who have not been funded by BSK to get more information on the RFPs available and the process. Please spread the word to your networks!
- The Regional Policy Committee will be reviewing the CYAB governance plan tomorrow, 1/12.

- Onboarding:
  - Kerry is working on onboarding and anticipates the process will take a full year. Those up for appointment will be matched up with a board “buddy” throughout the process.
  - Our executive’s mental health relations team would like to be more considerate about approving appointments and so they are asking for more time with the approval process. Looking at sometime in early February.

**PEER-TO-PEER LEARNING: Celebrating 2021 (Part II) – Hikma Sherka & Suzette Espinoza Cruz**

- CYAB members and nominees went into breakout groups for informal discussions to celebrate successes that took place in 2021.
- CYAB is continuing to be inspired and motivated by Sophie to ensure her legacy lives on through the board and its work.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION: It’s time to SSU! - Desire Wilkins Finch (Rise)**

- Desiree led an energetic and inspirational presentation on leading with abundance and love (for our colleagues, peers, each other)
- The work we do changes lives -- Show up authentically – walk with and serve with belonging.
- “You can’t serve the people if you don’t love the people”
- Breakout group questions & feedback:
  - What’s at the end of the road; (what the cause and what’s the root) and how do we not lose sight of it?
    - Interacting with providers who receive funding and inviting them to our meetings so that we can hear their voices and keep us grounded
    - Why are people so cruel? Racism, classism, ego, bias all attribute to this.
      - Want to focus on abundance versus self-centered approaches
  - How do I use my power and influence to keep us afloat to the end of the road?
    - Recognizing the wellbeing of the people doing this work/Centering on their wellbeing.
    - Do we belong enough to bring enough to the table? We should talk about the sense of belonging within leadership as well. Everyone on this board has a bit of this “imposter syndrome”
  - Am I giving my best self to serve? What are my opportunities and what are our challenges?
    - What can be difficult is committing to this while still reserving a space for ourselves, to prepare for the vortex of challenges that come with this work

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- Thank you to all who are ending their current term with CYAB/stepping down from CYAB. Thank you for all the work you have contributed to this board! You will forever be appreciated!
  - Certificates of Appreciation go to:
    - Bobbe Bridge
    - Corbin Muck
    - Thien-Di (Z) Do
  - Sophie’s Light Service Awards go to:
    - Ben Danielson
    - Hye-Kyung Kang
    - Brian Saelens
    - Rochelle Clayton-Strunk
    - Karen Hart

**Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.**