



 **King County**
Children + Youth
Advisory Board

***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 Retreat
Tues. September 12, 2023 – 4:00 p.m.
Mercer Island Community Center

RETREAT AGENDA

4:00 pm – 4:10 pm	WELCOME & OVERVIEW OF AGENDA – Nicole and Angela
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reminder that QR Code Sign-in is available on the agenda• Recognition of Guests• Recap of July 2023 meeting• Approval of July 2023 minutes• Overview of Retreat Agenda
4:10 pm – 4:30 pm	BOARD BUSINESS: The Reach of the CYAB, Part II – Angela Griffin <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Walkaround Activity – reflect on CYAB topics of interests.
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	SPECIAL PRESENTATION/TRAINING: Authentic Youth Partnership – Roslyn Kagy Consulting
6:00 pm – 6:15 pm	DINNER BREAK (meal will be provided)
6:15 pm – 6:45 pm	OVERSIGHT & ADVISORY: King County Youth Bill of Rights, Articles – Kerry <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brief Presentation on the KCYBOR• Review and feedback on the first draft of articles• Role of the CYAB moving forward• Next steps for the CYAB
6:45 pm – 7:00 pm	BOARD BUSINESS: Subcommittee Report Outs – Subcommittee Co-Chairs/Chairs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Youth Justice/Care and Closure – Jasmine• Young Leaders – Lidiya and Kimmy• PSTAA – James and Jessica
7:00 pm – 7:45 pm	BOARD BUSINESS: Community Engagement/Communications Tool – CE Subcommittee <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Communications Tool for CYAB• BSK Summit Participation and roles
7:55 pm – 8:00 pm	BOARD BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – Kerry W. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CYAB Recruitment is open

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CYAB DECISION-MAKING PRINCIPLES

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
9. 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 must 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

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