



Wednesday, June 22, 2022

**ZOOM Meeting**

4:30 – 6:30PM

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Snohomish County Children’s Commission Meeting was held via ZOOM on Wednesday March 23, 2022. The meeting convened at 4:35 PM, Whitney Stohr and Vice Chair Courtney Wooten presiding. Quorum met.

Commissioners		County Staff		Guests	
Charlotte Zissel	✓	Karen Matson	✓	Kelsey Kraupa	✓
Karen O’Meara Pullen	✓	Cathy Butler	✓		
Nancy Mickels	EX	Mellissa Hiatt	✓		
Whitney Stohr	✓	Ashley Nichols	✓		
Lindee Tollefsen	AB	Chrissie Grover-Roybal	✓		
Anita Canter	AB				
Argelia Grassfield	✓				
Courtney Wooten	EX				
Becky Megard	EX				
Charles Adkins	AB				
ShaKima Tozay	AB				
Lark Kesterke	EX				
Monica Wilson	✓				
Ashvi Shah	AB				
Anthony Fletcher	EX				

**Mission Statement**

Whitney Stohr welcomed all and read the Mission Statement.

**Introductions**

Commissioners and guests introduced themselves.

**Public Comment**

- Argelia Grassfield announced a free reunification event that will occur June 24,2022 for those with closed CPS cases. Flyer is available in the chat box.
- Whitney Stohr shared ARC trainings for parents with children with new autism diagnosis and also a training on LGBTQ community, and a July training related to recreation open for registration for the public.

**Equity Reflection and Reminder**

- Children’s Commission Executive Committee agreed to review and reflect on the concepts shared during the January 2022 meeting by Snohomish County Human Services Department Planning and Research Division Manager, Nate Marti.
- The Chair reminded and encouraged Commissioners to focus discussion around and be mindful of those children and families furthest from opportunity.

### **Approval of Minutes of May 25, 2022 meeting**

- ✚ There was not a quorum. Approval of minutes moved to July 2022 meeting.

### **County Update**

- ✚ County Council approved the appointment of Sergeant Anthony Fletcher to the Children's Commission.
- ✚ Karen Matson explained that, starting in July, the Children's Commission will also provide a physical meeting space and conduct all meeting hybrid consistent with new Washington State requirements.

### **Group Discussion**

- ✚ Whitney reviewed the discussion from the last several meeting regarding the priority focus areas that the Children's Commission will focus on in the future.
- ✚ Whitney provided a draft framework, recommended by the executive committee, that would support deeper conversations in all four priority issues: maternal/prenatal health, access to healthcare (including behavioral health), after school programs, families in the middle.
- ✚ The group discussed the framework and priority issues and recommended to move forward on both suggestions.

### **Kids Count Report**

- ✚ Whitney asked for volunteers to develop content for the first page of this year's report. The suggested focus is on why equity matters for healthy child development and family well-being.
- ✚ Group agreed that County staff will send a Zoom invite for June 29, 4:30 – 5:30, for interested members to help develop the content for the first page of the report.

### **Presentation by Snohomish County Office of Recovery and Resilience**

- ✚ Chrissie Grover-Roybal presented information related to the community outreach events to gather input regarding key priority areas and solutions to address these areas.
- ✚ Commissioners shared their input regarding priority areas and potential solutions.

### **Member Share-Out**

- ✚ There were no updates provided.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

- ✚ ***ACTION ITEM. Charlotte Zissel made a motion to adjourn the Snohomish County Children's Commission meeting. Monica Wilson seconded the motion.***

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 6:34 P.M.

***\*\*The next Snohomish County Children's Commission meeting will be held via ZOOM on Wednesday, July27, 2022 from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM.\*\****