

LAKEWOOD'S PROMISE ADVISORY BOARD Thursday, June 6, 2019 American Lake Conference Room Lakewood City Hall Lakewood, WA 98499 7:30 am – 8:30 am

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Ellie Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:34 am.

ATTENDANCE

Promise Advisory Members Present: Ellie Wilson, Leanna Christian, Elise Bodell, Mary Dodsworth, Beverly Howe, Dr. Joyce Loveday, Andie Gernon, Ron Banner, Wanda Elder

City Council Liaison: Mary Moss Staff Present: Brian Humphreys

Youth Council Liaison: Kenneth Prince

PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Andie Gernon and Wanda Elder, the two new members of the board, introduced themselves and talked their passion for Lakewood youth and being part of a strategic board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Joyce Loveday moved to approve the March 21st, 2019 Promise Board minutes as written. Andie Gernon seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Kerri Pedrick, the new Executive Director for Communities in Schools of Lakewood, presented on the work of CISL and her vision for where the organization is going and how it partners.

OLD BUSINESS

Ad hoc committee update: Brian Humphreys provided a summary of the work of the ad hoc committee for the new members. He presented the feedback from the Community Services Advisory Board who approved of the strategic planning the Promise Board is doing with the feedback that the two advisory boards should maintain their respective roles. Community Services focuses on funding recommendations and oversight, while Lakewood's Promise is the strategic arm of human services and focuses on the Community Collaboration and building relationships with partners. CSAB also

requested two joint meetings per year, and assigned one member to be a part of the joint ad hoc committee.

The goal for the summer is for the ad hoc committee to continue to meet and decide on a timeframe for a new community needs assessment. Brian Humphreys will also meet with the existing workforce development and career navigation organizations that serve Pierce County to find out whether the challenge of connecting Lakewood residents with living wage jobs can be accomplished through partnerships and leveraging existing resources.

BOARD MEMBER UPDATES

Ron Banner gave an update about the CELT coalition through the school district. CELT will have a large event in February 2020 to take a snapshot of the community from the perspective of the organizational partners from various sectors. The board discussed whether there are similarities between CELT and Lakewood's Promise, and started what will be an ongoing conversation about what a working relationship might look like.

Beverly Howe gave an update about the new Executive Director and the merger between CHI Franciscan and Common Spirit. She also talked about the marketing efforts to raise awareness of St. Clare itself.

Elise Bodell talked about the organizational restricting taking place at the Pierce County Library System which has created or vacated quite a few jobs. The position for a new Lakewood Branch Manager has been posted. Pierce County Reads has an author event in Lakewood this Saturday. She also talked about the Art of Storytelling: Teen Mural Painting and Art Installation even taking place June 27th.

Joyce Loveday talked about the expanded need grant funding now available. CPTC is also hiring for a Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and the new Center for Advanced Manufacturing is opening in September 2019.

Leanna Christian presented on the YMCA's summer program happening at Tyee Park. Lunches will be available at those events. Free swim lessons will be offered at American Lake on Fridays.

Mary Dodsworth talked about the Farmer's Market having opened, and reminded the board about SummerFest on July 13th.

ADJOURN

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Ellie Wilson adjourned the meeting at 8:34 am.

Clie Wilson 5 Sept /// Date 2019 Brian Humphreys, Coordinator

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