

LAKEWOOD'S PROMISE ADVISORY BOARD Thursday, May 4, 2023 In-Person and Zoom Virtual Meeting

Lakewood, WA 98499 7:30 am – 8:30 am

Caring Adults • Safe Places • A Healthy Start • Marketable Skills • Opportunities to Help Others

CALL TO ORDER

Megan Dempsey called the meeting to order at 7:34 am

ATTENDANCE

Promise Advisory Members Present: Megan Dempsey, Ron Banner, Mary Dodsworth, Julie White, Dr. Wanda Elder and Kyle Manglona

Promise Advisory Members Absent: Kerri Pedrick, Dr. Joyce Loveday and Ellie Wilson

City Council Liaison: Mike Brandstetter, Council Member

Youth Council Liaison: Cynthia Rodriguez, Hank Jones, Fatima Hernandez, Alli Laska (all absent)

Staff Present: Shannon Bennett

Guest Presenter: Deon Lister, Career Projects/Outreach Coordinator, Career Team & Clinton Taylor, Executive Director / Founder, Your Money Matters

Guest: Dean Kelley

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MEETING MINUTES

Mary Dodsworth moved to approve the March 2, 2023 meeting minutes. Julie White seconded the motion. MPU.

NEW BUSINESS

Deon reported on Career Team's successes, challenges and future plans for with their workforce development initiatives in Lakewood. Julie White proposed Pierce College, Clover Park and the City of Lakewood join forces with Career Team to hold events at Springbrook.

Clinton Taylor shared a high level look into Your Money Matters operations, to include their financial literacy and workforce development programs offered, targeted demographic and methods for attracting and maintaining participants.

Members agreed the Board's focus for June through December will be to better define the 5 Promises, discover how each promise supports youth mental health and find ways to grow ones currently not contributing to youth mental.

Next steps include creating a calendar for the rest of the year and focusing on better defining one of the 5 Promises during each meeting.

Mike Brandstetter asked the Board to consider whether LPAB may have a role in the City's initiative working on the Dolly Parton Library Program. The program will roll out in the next three months with the goal of reaching 4,000 Lakewood students.

Shannon provided an update on planning efforts for the Youth Summit and issued a request for volunteers.

BOARD MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

None

ADJOURN

Megan Dempsey adjourned the meeting at 8:45 am.

Prepared by: Shannon Bennett, Human Services Coordinator

Kerri Pedrick, Chair

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