



LAKEWOOD'S PROMISE ADVISORY BOARD

Thursday, June 1, 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

Kerri Pedrick called the meeting to order at 7:39 am

ATTENDANCE

Promise Advisory Members Present: Kerri Pedrick, Ellie Wilson, Mary Dodsworth, and Kyle Manglona and Ron Banner.

Promise Advisory Members Absent: Dr. Joyce Loveday, Julie White, Dr. Wanda Elder and Megan Dempsey.

City Council Liaison: Mike Brandstetter, Council Member (not present)

Youth Council Liaison:

Staff Present: Shannon Bennett

Guest Presenter: None

Guest: Dean Kelley

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MEETING MINUTES

Mary Dodsworth moved to approve the May 4 2023 meeting minutes. Kyle seconded the motion. MPU.

NEW BUSINESS

Members agreed to continue their efforts to gain the youth voice, beginning with the June 10th Youth Summit. CIS staff agreed to incorporate a Lakewood's Promise survey at their vendor booth for the Summit and Summerfest.

Members conducted a review of the Caring Adults promise and compared prior and current efforts and agreed to work on increasing adult to youth mentoring programs and organized activities with the goal of bringing caring adults to where they are. Students have a desire to be face to face and engage in social interaction. The Board needs to focus on helping youth to engage and re-socialize (example: community café's, small group mentoring, intern/volunteer opportunities, etc.) with other students, adults, community resources. Look for opportunities to piggyback with other community efforts and elevate those efforts. Create a "stone soup" of community resources – everyone bring a necessary ingredient. Our goal for the summer is to assess the 5

Promises and check our reality by asking the students where Lakewood is at with fulfilling its promises to our youth.

NEXT STEPS

Gain youth feedback at Youth Summit and seek other methods for gaining student feedback (example: Leaders of Change, etc.). Ron Banner suggested youth focused community groups' work together to target their fund seeking efforts. Kerri suggested having a focused conversation with community members to set goals and a commitment to work together. Mary D. suggested increasing the community awareness of available resources.

Members recommended not meeting in July and to focus August's meeting on the student voice gained at events leading up to the meeting. August's meeting was set for Friday, August 4th to allow for feedback from the August 3rd Leaders of Change presentation; which LPAB members are highly encouraged to attend. Ron suggested we pull leaders of organizations together in a joint space to settle in a direction. We're saying the same thing. Let's not compete or recreate the wheel. Let's start merging folks in their minds and in their practice. Let's create a proactive, rather than reactionary space.

BOARD MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

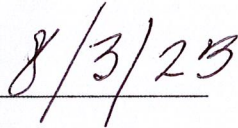
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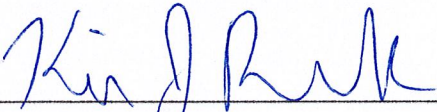
Kerri Pedrick adjourned the meeting at 8:33 am.



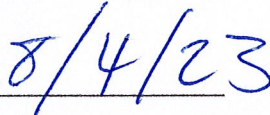
Prepared by: Shannon Bennett, Human Services Coordinator



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Kerri Pedrick, Chair



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