

Tacoma-Pierce County

Board of Health



Retreat Minutes

April 21, 2021
1:30-4:30 p.m.

3629 South D Street, Tacoma, WA 98418
Board of Health Clerk, (253) 649-1502

Remote Attendance Only

Dial in: 253-215-8782
Passcode: 601654
Meeting ID: 915 8780 8669

Call to Order

Chair Young called the meeting to order at 1:36 p.m.

Members Present: Derek Young, Catherine Ushka, Marty Campbell, William Hirota, Patricia Johnson, Alternate Board Members Robert Baggett, Ken Farmer, Jani Hitchen and John Hines

Members Excused: Keith Blocker, Bruce Dammeier, Dave Morell

Also, present: Anthony L-T Chen, Director of Health; Cindan Gizzi, Deputy Director; Nigel Turner, Communicable Disease Control Division Director; Stephanie Dunkel, Communicable Disease Control Assistant Division Director; Christopher Schuler, Finance and Operations Director; Sebrena Chambers, Strengthening Families Division Director; Jessica Gehle, Environmental Health Division Director; Elizabeth Allen, Behavioral Health, Strengthening Families; Guest Jahmad Canley, Potential Unleashed Consulting; Ashley Mangum, Kids Mental Health Pierce County/Mary Bridge Children's Hospital; Dr. Pamela Sacks-Lawlar, State of Washington; Dr. Priscilla Lisicich, Safe Streets

Proclamation 20-28 temporarily prohibits in-person contacts with the public that are required by the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) (RCW 42.30) and the Public Records Act (PRA) (RCW 42.56), suspending some statutory language that would require such contacts. It is effective from March 24, 2020 until midnight, April 23, 2020, unless extended beyond that date.

Welcome

Dr. Chen welcomed board members and attendees. He provided an overview of the agenda.

Training: Racial Justice and Equity Lens

Jahmad Canley, Potential Unleashed Consulting provided board members with an interactive 90-minute racial equity and justice training.

Strategic Planning: Values Recommendations

Benjii Bittle, Business Development Manager provided board members with a recap of the strategic planning process. He reviewed staff and board member input to the values survey and shared recommendations.

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Strategic Planning Panel Discussion: Community Behavioral Health and Well Being

Board members participated in a Q&A session with subject matter experts. Discussed ensued around applying racial justice concepts to strategic planning.

Panelists: Elizabeth Allen, TPCHD; Ashley Mangum, Kids Mental Health Pierce County/Mary Bridge Children’s Hospital; Dr. Pamela Sacks-Lawlar, State of Washington and Dr. Priscilla Lisicich, Safe Streets.

Closing: Learnings and Next Steps

Cindan Gizzi, Deputy Director provided closing remarks and next steps.

Executive Session

Chair Young called Executive Session at 4:31 p.m. to last 10 minutes to discuss matters relating to potential litigation in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

ATTEST:

Patricia Darden
Clerk, Board of Health

Derek Young
Chair, Board of Health

On behalf of Board Chair
Derek Young.

May 5, 2021
Date Signed

Catherine Ushka
Vice Chair, Board of Health