

Puget Sound Tax Accountability Account Stakeholder Group

County-City Building
930 Tacoma Ave S, Rainier Conference Room
Tacoma, WA 98402

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Summary Meeting Minutes

PSTAA members in attendance: Maureen Sorenson (Amara); Joyce Loveday (Clover Park Technical College); Shanna LaMar (College Success Foundation); Jan Mauk (Communities In Schools - Puyallup); Susan Barbeau (First5FUNDamentals); April Shine (Graduate Tacoma); Gina Anstey (Greater Tacoma Community Foundation); Andrew Austin (Metro Parks); Joe Brady (Metro Parks Tacoma); Rebecca Chapman (Pierce County); Jason Escareno (Pierce County); Catherine Rudolph (Pierce County); Jaime Prothro (Pierce County Libraries); Mercy Daramola (Puget Sound Educational Services District); Dorothy Gibson (Sound Alliance – SHAPE); Jason Scales (Tacoma Community House); Nancy Sutton (Tacoma Pierce County Health Department); Rodney Robinson (Treehouse); Michael Wark (UW Tacoma)

Others in attendance: Amy Cruver (Pierce County); Paul Bocchi (Pierce County)

1. Meeting called to order at 10:06 am.
2. Introductions
 - Jason introduced Jennifer Arnold of Reciprocity Consulting who was hired by the Pierce County Council to facilitate the final two PSTAA Stakeholder meetings. Jennifer introduced herself and shared her areas of expertise, and expectations for the meetings. Members introduced themselves and what agency they represent.
 - Jennifer went over the ground rules, and documents “Groan Zone” and “Fist to Five” as a tool to help build consensus within the group.
 - HB1791. Jason mentioned HB1791, and the amendment that would establish an additional requirement on Pierce County for the County to distribute the funds.
3. Review of survey responses – big picture goal and who we serve
 - Jennifer shared that she had 13 responses on the survey she had created, and shared prepared flipchart pages with the group based on that feedback. She presented characteristics of a good recommendation from the survey responses and compared these with the evaluation criteria from the King County Process. From a synthesis of the survey

responses, she also shared process recommendations, types of investments, and approaches to develop priorities.

- She shared the big picture goal, which she identified as a point of agreement from the survey responses. The group discussed these items, in particular the different approaches to develop priorities. After exploring different options, the group came to consensus on the big picture goal and who the funding should serve – although these may continue to be refined in the next meeting.
 - **Big picture goal** - Improve educational outcomes for low-income youth or youth who are vulnerable to or have experienced homelessness or foster care across the ST3 area in Pierce County
 - **Who we serve?** - Youth from pregnancy through 25 years who are low-income or vulnerable to or have experienced homelessness or foster case

4. What to include in the recommendation – principles for making funding decisions

- The group also discussed what should be included in the recommendation to ensure that the funding has a significant measurable impact. They discussed what is achievable in this process, and what may need to carry on. The group came to consensus that the recommendation should emphasize principles for how funding decisions should be made. Building from the ideas from the survey, the group came up with a list of suggested principles and decided by consensus that refining this list should be the first priority for the next meeting. At least one person felt that it would be useful to include specific funding priorities in the recommendation, but most others felt any specific priorities needed more discussion. To the extent there is time in the next meeting, we will discuss this topic.

4. Feedback and Next Steps

- Jennifer went through a feedback exercise on the meeting, to gather positives and improveables.
 - Positives: Having a facilitator, Great to have the survey responses to build off of, Tangible next steps, Decision-making protocol (fist-to-five) worked well, respectful atmosphere, Everyone did a great job using the ground rules, We are getting to know each other, Great knowledgeable people in the room
 - Improveables: Get more feedback from Council staff, This meeting was time constrained (only two hours with a recommendation to council in April) – should we try to dedicate more time?, Let's wordsmith online and not here, Keep big picture goal/process front and center to keep up focused, Can we have copies of the flipcharts – good stuff, Next meeting talk about potential opportunities for people to read or comment on the staff report to Council
- Jennifer will make a survey and a cloud shared document, so the group can share ideas before the next meeting.

5. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

The next meeting of the PSTAA Stakeholder Group is March 15, 2019.

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