

MEETING AGENDA

WDC Youth & Young Adult Services Committee
May 22, 2018 10:30 am – 11:30 am

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Committee Focus:

System of navigation and advising (including navigators and advisors)

- Career interest, pursuit – video format and use of technology
- Motivate and show realistic progression and what it takes to succeed
- Navigate family – not just students

Engage family along with young adults

- Help us help parents message the importance of post-secondary training and other options
- Use family centered multi-generational service delivery model (Kellogg studies)

Topic	Leader	Inform/ Discuss/Act	Time
Welcome	Dale King		3 min
Committee Name changed to: Young Adult Committee (YAC)	MaryEllen Laird	Inform	2 min
Review Prior Meeting Notes	Dale King	Inform	5 min
Disconnected Youth Presentation	Christian Caple	Inform	10 min
Committee Focus for upcoming year: By 2025 7,650 disconnected Pierce County young adults, aged 16-24 years, who are not in school and not employed, will be engaged and connected to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High School or GED completion (if appropriate) leading to • Post Secondary education leading or to employment 	Dale King	Discussion Act	35 min
Build next meeting's agenda	Dale King	Discuss	5 min

Further Discussion / Next Steps

Begin working to identify strategies to serve disconnected youth and identify the key system partners helping in this effort, including:

- Who should be members of the YAC (need the voice of disconnected youth)
 - Discuss establishing a Young Adult Leadership Committee (advisory to the YAC), comprised of previously disconnected youth who have recently reconnected.
- Additional suggestions on the document included with this agenda

Next Meeting Dates

July 24, 2018	10:30 – 11:30 am
September 25, 2018	10:30 – 11:30 am
November 27, 2018	10:30 – 11:30 am

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Meeting Notes
March 27, 2018
10:30 am – 11:30 am

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Members Present: Dale King, Michelle Ledbetter, Kyla Lackie

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WorkForce Central Staff: MaryEllen Laird, Debbie Lean

Welcome and Introductions

Dale King called the meeting to order and roundtable introductions were made.

Approval of Prior Meeting Notes

Meeting notes accepted as prepared.

Committee Focus for Upcoming Year

Committee members present discussed Next Year's Focus. Answers to these will help in developing a work plan:

- Executive Board/WDC came out recently with two main goals, with one specific to youth: Reduce the number of Pierce County disconnected youth by 50% by 2025. There are 16,214 disconnected youth in Pierce County (aged 16-24 not enrolled in school and not employed).
- Kyla shared that King County is working on something like this too. Called Re-Opp (Opportunity Youth)
- MaryEllen introduced Caleb who talked about how he extracted the data to get the 16,214 number.
What is the specific charge for this committee
- Refine definition of disconnected youth
Research resources
Identifying recommendations for WDC or system investment and by when
What capacity and resources will WDC put behind the goal and how will it be measured

Build next meeting's agenda:

- Meeting date: May 22, 2018 10:30 – 11:30 am
- Continue Committee Focus Discussion

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

The WorkForce Central Executive Board and the Workforce Development Council have decided to implement two system impact goals. This system work will begin on July 1, 2018. The goals are:

By the year 2025:

1. 19,237 Pierce County residents, aged 25-64 years, will have:
 - At least a High School diploma or GED leading to Post Secondary education leading to a Job
2. 7,650 disconnected Pierce County young adults, aged 16-24 years, who are not in school and not employed, will be engaged and connected to:
 - High School or GED completion (if appropriate) leading to
 - Post Secondary education leading or to employment

The WDC Young Adult Committee (YAC) has a role in meeting the Disconnected Youth goal.

- At the May 22nd YAC meeting, we will begin working to identify strategies to serve disconnected youth and identify the key system partners helping in this effort, including:
 - Who should be members of the YAC (need the voice of disconnected youth)
 - Discuss establishing a Young Adult Leadership Committee (advisory to the YAC), comprised of previously disconnected youth who have recently reconnected.

For WDC Young Adult Committee to think about/work on:

1. Create and support a Young Adult Leadership/Committee (advisory committee to the Young Adult committee) with former disconnected young adults (recently connected) San Diego has a good model of this
2. System partners need to join our work:
 - a. Faith based organizations
 - b. Housing, transportation, childcare, healthcare providers
 - c. Juvenile organizations/Department of Corrections partners
 - i. Remann Hall
 - ii. Jails
 - iii. Prisons
 - d. Foster care organizations
 - e. K-12
 - f. Language banks (organizations)
 - g. Etc.
3. Our service delivery system needs to be responsive and user friendly and customized to the individual's needs – retool how we work with young adults, e.g. locations/dates/hours of available service
 - a. Need more refined data on this population (We will obtain data from Measure of America for these <http://www.measureofamerica.org/>)
 - b. Where do they live?
 - c. Demographics

4. Need strategies on how to identify and locate these young adults, e.g. through the school system, from faith based organizations, juvenile hall
5. Identify current service capacity. (We do not want a "waiting list" for services)
 - Are there currently any waiting lists for disconnected youth services?
 - What would services without waiting lists look like?
6. Find out who is hiring and what skills do those new employees need?
7. Get the youth ready for available jobs.