

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE
KITSAP COUNTY DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
ADVISORY BOARD**

**5:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 3, 2019
Communitas, 2nd Floor Training room
920 Park Avenue, Bremerton**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – Sandra LaCelle, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
- 2. INTRODUCTIONS** – Members and guests introduced themselves.
- 3. APPROVAL OF November 5, 2019 MINUTES**

MOTION: Donna Gerns moved to approve the November 5, 2019 minutes as submitted. Frances Aquiningoc seconded. Motion carried.

4. ADDITIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Marian Wiggins moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Kathy Lougheed seconded. Motion carried.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Working Age Adult Policy Implementation:

- The Employment First Committee (EFF):
 - Will meet on Friday, December 6, 2019 to discuss the draft survey and work to finalize it within the next month or two

B. Transition Student Update:

- A 2020 transition student started a job at Bremerton Navel Exchange
- A 2019 student signed up for DDA extra support
- The annual Kitsap County Disabilities Resource Fair will be held on Saturday, February 1, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Olympic High School, 7077 Stampeded Boulevard NW, Bremerton, WA 98311

C. County Supported Employment Program Update

- Job development efforts are underway for three different departments at the county. Hopefully, there will be three new positions available next year with the projected months identified for posting these positions; January, Spring, June -tentative
- The county is wanting to produce a film that highlights the supported employee working in government. Kelly met with a videographer in November. The film is projected to be available in June 2020. The county is wanting to include the process of creating and implementing jobs from local government experience into the film.
- Updates to follow

6. COMMUNITY INPUT – N/A

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Legislative and Budget Update:

- A partial report handout was reviewed on, The Case for Inclusion Report. The full report can be found online at <http://caseforinclusion.com>
- The report looks at inclusionary practices for 51 states in five different areas, assessing how well these individual states include; support and empower individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities
- Washington State received a 72.7 overall score and ranked 30
- Key take-away improvements included;
 - Recipients of Home and Community-Based Services have increased 86%
 - Medicaid Buy-In programs have expanded
 - Family Support Services have increased 32%
 - Participation in National Core Indicators has doubled
 - Large, isolating state institutions have seen resident numbers cut in half
 - The number of individuals served in their own homes has increased 45%
 - Number of individuals served in their family's homes has increased 33%
 - The number of individuals served in shared living and host homes has increased by 82%
- The impact of Washington's Employment First policy was profound. In just over a decade, Washington saw an 81% increase in individuals working for pay. Washington had the highest rate in the country of individuals participating in competitive employment. Washington's success rate is more than four times the national average.
- Early Intervention Services
 - Continue to look at data state wide for funding allocations
 - Three different levels of funding, with rates varying from city to county to regional
 - Waiting to see which level is best and will be used by ESET
 - Ultimately this means more money per kid so legislation will have to agree to fund approximately 4 million to cover
 - RFQ projected to be released in April
- LRE Schools
 - Kingston Middle School will participate
 - Kitsap Lake Elementary in Bremerton dropped out
 - Kitsap Alternative High School dropped out
 - Next in line: was Port Townsend and they dropped out
 - Port Angeles is still deciding
 - Chimacum is next in line following Port Townsend's decision
 - Data Analysis will look at why students are pulling out of LRE 2 more often, parent perceptions, teacher service perceptions. This will be done with small group study

B. Advocacy Reports:

None

C. School to Work / Job Foundations Update:

- The Job Foundations Summary was reviewed.
 - Purpose: To engage students earlier in targeted employment planning and connection, to increase partnership with school staff to complete Job Foundations and make students ready for next steps sooner, overall, goals to have more students complete transition programs with a job or secondary education connection.
 - DDA collaboration state wide
 - Millage funds vary per county which pays for transition to work
 - DDA will put money into the county budget to support these endeavors
 - 2020 two sets of kids will be tracked

D. WELN Training:

- The Washington Employment Learning Network will host the following training opportunities;
 - Intro to History of Supported Employment, Discovery and Person-Centered Employment Training in Seattle, March 23-24 and Kennewick, April 10-21
 - Job Development and Marketing, in Spokane, May 27-28
 - Systematic Instruction and follow Along, in Seattle, April 27-28 and Wenatchee, May 12-13
 - Social Security Benefits and Work Incentives On-Demand, TBA February and May
 - Community Inclusion, in Seattle, January 14-15

E. DD Board Priorities:

- Developmental Disabilities 2020 Work Plan was reviewed. No changes or revisions made.

MOTION: Sandra LaCelle moved to approve the 2020 Work Plan as presented. Kathy Loughheed seconded. Motion carried.

F. DDA/DVR Provider Updates:

- There has been staff turn over and the new Administrator 1, Alex Boede was announced. Contact information was provided. 360-475-3491 and alex.boede@dshs.wa.gov
- Relocation in the process to move HCS to Auto Center Way
- Supervisor positions are currently open for hire

G. Provider Updates

None

H. Officer Report

- No January meeting, next meeting is February 4th
- Jennifer Acuna's approval to the Board is pending

I. Staff Report

- Kitsap Transit to present in February

8. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS	GUESTS/ORGANIZATIONS	STAFF
<p><u>Present</u> Fran Aquiningoc Donna Gears Sandra LaCelle Kathy Lougheed Marian Wiggins</p> <p><u>Absent</u> Christine Johnson Linda Roche Veola Taylor George Adams</p>	<p>Jennifer Acuna, OESD 114 Kim McCarty, DDA Hannah LaCelle</p>	<p>Kelly O’Neal Hannah Shockley</p>