

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

**5:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 3, 2020
Communitas, 2nd Floor Training room
920 Park Avenue, Bremerton**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – Kathy Loughheed, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
- 2. INTRODUCTIONS** – Members and guests introduced themselves.
- 3. APPROVAL OF February 4, 2020 MINUTES**

MOTION: Marian Wiggins moved to approve February 4, 2020 minutes as submitted. Veola Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

4. ADDITIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Frances Aquiningoc moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Marian Wiggins seconded. Motion carried.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Working Age Adult Policy Implementation:

- The Employment First Committee (EFF):
 - Two February meetings with Rotary held,
 - Reviewing “Partners for Work.” Developing a formal structure to use as they expand other Rotary groups - Bremerton and Port Orchard
 - Mock interview scheduled last Monday at Bremerton Rotary was cancelled; will be rescheduled
 - Business Advisory Committee meeting March 4th for second meeting. Working with West Sound Human Resources – goal is to get feedback from employers and HR managers about increasing employment opportunities
- Washington Employment Learning Network (WELN) trainings coming up, by WISE– features a set of four core classes, along with some additional training on community inclusion
 - Employment Providers: who attend all four core trainings, will earn a certification
 - Registration is open for trainings in Seattle, Kennewick, Spokane, and Wenatchee
- For the past seven months, a cohort of Trillium employees have been training with WISE. Intensive training, which aimed to increase and develop staff, enabling them to respond independently to varying situations with clients, while improving efficiency
 - Kelly Oneal will meet with Shaun Wood of WISE at the end of month to go over a report on the results of the training. The goal is replicate this model with other area agencies.

- Trillium has locations in Kitsap, Pierce, Clark and King counties
- The training was funded entirely by Trillium and Pierce County
- Training developed as a result of conversations following the Working Age Adult Policy.

B. Transition Student Update:

- One 2019 transition student became employed
- Currently have three 2020 transition students employed
- March 26, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., South Kitsap is hosting the “Start Now Open House.” This year it will coincide with Parent Teacher Conference week

C. County Supported Employment Program Update

- The second County Supported Employee has been hired; started on February 24th in Superior Court
- Goal to hire two additional county employees by the end of the year, to bring total to four

6. COMMUNITY INPUT

- Melissa Lund, Kitsap County Parent Coalition-KCPC, spoke of her involvement in February community activities and events. A few of which included:
 - Attended with Senator Randall, the passing of a Resolution in Olympia on the 30th anniversary of the ADA
 - Held one-on-one meetings with parents to help give them direction and resources after a recent diagnosis so they’re not overwhelmed
 - Met with parents – focus on guardianship to make sure they know their child can stay until they are 21; started to incorporate guardianship training
 - Provided handouts for three upcoming events:
 1. KSPC Monthly Support Meeting: Community Guide/ Engagement /Respite Info, March 12th in Bremerton
 2. PAVE Parent Training: High School Transition, March 19th in Poulsbo
 3. KCPC: Healthy Relationships Workshop, March 27th in Bremerton
- Veola Taylor announced recent work with local Lions Club, assisting at the Salvation Army during the Homeless Point-in-Time Count. The Lions Club facilitated free eye exams; as a result, ordered 116 pairs of glass with prescriptions
- Kimberly Adams, with the Arc of the Peninsulas, announced three upcoming events:
 1. “Fun Family Day” on March 21st at 10:30 a.m., hosted by North Kitsap Support Group
 2. Summer Day Camp for Siblings on August 4th-7th in Bremerton, hosted by the Arc
 3. Screening of the movie “Intelligent Lives” on March 21st at 5:30 p.m. at First Christian Church in Port Orchard

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Legislative and Budget Update:

- DD 2020 Bills of Interest, handout was reviewed. Greater discussion was held on;
 - SB 5753 Sub-Minimum Wage, sub-minimum wage – didn’t get a hearing

- 2SSB 6117 Special Education Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) request, raising the percentage of funds for greater inclusion – didn't go on
- SHB 2787 Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESIT) program from OSPI to Department of Children, Youth & Families (DCYF) with rate adjustment increase based on county average, 5% put aside for those who will be losing funding as this rolls out – still on the list
- SSB 6429 Allowing law enforcement to be made aware of disabilities by an elective sticker on an ID or driver's license– still on the list
- Various budget funds are being proposed; the end of the session is March 12th, Kelly will send out the updated budget if she gets it. Greater discussion held on:
 - SB 6040 – would add 300 slots to Individual and Family Services and Basic Plus Waivers and updated the No Paid Services list
 - OSPI – Training for para-educates for two days each school year – districts would get funding
 - CYF – ESIT automatic screening for foster children birth to three and refer to early intervention as needed

B. Advocacy Reports:

None

C. Community Summit

- Registration will launch this week and ends on April 11th
- Summit to be held in Wenatchee at the Conference Center from June 9th-11th
- Prices have increased but scholarships are available
- Theme: Make Your Mark

D. School to Work / Job Foundations Update:

- Kelly passed out a new handout with the Value Based Payment Project Summary:
 - Will be rolling out in the School to Work Program, with purpose to engage students earlier in targeted employment planning and connection; increase partnership with school staff to complete student's Job Foundation document with actionable next steps for employment; and increase number of students completing transition programs with a job or secondary education connection
 - The 2021 graduates will still have the previous School to Work Program, signing up this spring
 - The 2022 graduates will have the new School to Work Program, signing up this fall

E. Board Officer Nominations:

- An email will be sent to board members soon, requesting nominations
- Voting will take place at the April 7th meeting

F. DDA/DVR Provider Updates:

- DDA will be relocating in May to the Community Service Office from 6th Street. Currently the 500 wing is open – the only door open if you need to visit. New building is on Auto Center Way. Will have new phone numbers after the move.

G. Provider Updates

- Ashley Jackson, with Easter Seals reported they have a weekend camp up and running for children, with summer camp registration opening soon. Adults have been enjoying Sip and Paints at the Adult Day Center; completed paintings are hanging in the Gateway Center for viewing. Workforce Development has moved from Suite 116 to Suite 207. They currently have new phone numbers but are working to get the old ones back.

H. Officer Report

- Jennifer Acuna is officially a new board member

I. Staff Report

- Roxanne Bryson, retiring from Holly Ridge; retirement party will be held at the Admiral Theatre on April 23rd from 5-8 p.m.
- Dedra Miller has been hired as Roxanne’s replacement at Holly Ridge. There will be an Open House to welcome Dedra on March 19th from 4-6 p.m. at the Windsor Location (4660 Kitsap Way)
- Resource Guides are in and will be delivered within the next couple of weeks

8. **ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS	GUESTS/ORGANIZATIONS	STAFF
<u>Present</u> Frances Aquiningoc Kathy Loughed Veola Taylor Marian Wiggins Jennifer Acuña <u>Absent</u> Donna Gearn Christine Johnson George Adams Sandra LaCelle	Melissa Lund, KC Parent Coalition Kim McCarty, DDA Ashley Jackson, Easter Seals Kimberly Adams – P2P - ARC	Kelly O’Neal Hannah Shockley Elizabeth Wilcox Richard VanCleave