I. INTRODUCTION

Board Chair Kristen Fox welcomed board members and guests and initiated roll call. Jason Petrait reviewed the June 18, 2020 draft minutes. Ms. Bookda Gheisar made a motion to approve; Ms. Princess Ayers-Stewart seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Policies P201, P202, P207, TA101
Mike Davie reviewed Policy P201 v10 Supportive Services and Needs-Related Payments; Policy P202 WIOA Title I-B Youth Incentive Policy; Policy P207 Front-End Services & Assessment; TA101 WIOA Title I-B Virtual Enrollment: Verbal Self-Attestation and Remote Eligibility Documentation and Registration Requirements during the COVID-19 Emergency. Upon approval, will be released to the public August, 28, 2020. Dr. Shouan Pan made a motion to approve. Ms. Ann Martin seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

III. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION

A. Program Year 2020 Business
   WIOA Youth and Business Services Request for Procurement begins March 2021. Infrastructure Funding Agreements and WorkSource System site recertification scheduled for Spring 2021. Industry Engagement Committee and Youth Workgroup launched August 6, 2020 and Racial Equity Committee in planning stages.

B. Regional Strategic Plan
   The Regional Strategic Plan requires coordination with partners across sectors. Authentic engagement focused on racial equity is necessary. Project team led by Jill Nishi is working in alignment with Industry Engagement Committee and Youth Workgroup. Ms. Marie Kurose reviewed timeline and Board engagement. Preview of draft strategies will be presented on October 22, 2020 Board meeting.

   Guiding principles center racial equity while building community partnerships based in authentic engagement. Continuing unemployment claims declined by 45% although unemployment rate is 8.3% in King County. Accommodation, health care, retail trade, manufacturing and construction are the most impacted sectors, disproportionately affect people of color. In addition, safe practices need to be enforced to protect low wage workers.

C. Breakout Group Discussions
   Clear action steps and long-term benchmarks are necessary. Digital disparities will directly affect those furthest from opportunity. As COVID-19 will have long-term effects, the WDC must focus on strategies to upskill workers into projected growth sectors. Nationwide projections show 42% of positions will permanently close. Equity strategies implemented by Board member organizations should be discussed and potentially implemented into the strategic plan.

IV. INFORMATION AND OTHER BUSINESS
   Thank you to departing Board members.
Chair Fox adjourned meeting 12:01pm.