Children and Youth Fund Oversight and Advisory Committee

Minutes


Date and Time: Monday, January 14, 2019, 5:30pm
Location: 1390 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94102, Suite 900

I. Call to Order and Roll Call
   A. Meeting called to order at 5:37pm.
   B. Absences: Linda Martley-Jordan, Mollie Matull
   C. Meeting facilitated by DCYF Dori Caminong.

II. Adoption of Agenda
   A. Agenda adopted unanimously.

III. General Public Comments
   A. No public comment

IV. Review and Approval of November 2018 Minutes
   A. Minutes approved unanimously.

V. Report of OAC Chair
   A. Chair Eddy Zheng welcomed the OAC into the New Year and provided updates to the committee.
      • On January 16, 2019, Audrey Xu will be sworn in for Seat 1, and Nadiyah Shereff will be sworn in for Seat 5.
      • Seat 9 is still vacant. DCYF Director Maria Su discussed possible childcare services for Seat 9. DCYF Dori Caminong contacted the Children’s Council.
      • At the last OAC meeting, Member Mollie Matull was voted Vice Chair and is currently pending seat reappointment.

VI. Training on Adult Allyship
   A. DCYF Prishni Murillo and Director of the San Francisco Youth Commission, Kiely Hosmon, presented on Adult Allyship.
      • The goal is to create a more youth-friendly space in the OAC
      • Prishni Murillo and Kiely Hosmon requested the committee to share ways they can be an adult ally
         – Member E’Leva Gibson: Always include youth voice and perspectives; have youth share what is on their mind and have more youth interact with the committee
         – Member Charley Oberymeyer: As a youth, feel comfortable claiming space
         – Member Winnie Chen: Meet youth where they are
         – Member Audrey Xu: Be supportive of everyone
         – Chair Eddy Zheng: Engage young people in schools
         – Member Joanna Powell: Strike balance between explaining and being condescending
         – Member Jada Curry: Support other youth on OAC as a fellow youth member
         – Member Nadiyah Shereff: Actively engage in the community; ensure youth is not being tokenized
   B. Member Comments and Questions
      • Member Gibson stated that national culture and news contributes to how youth feels and participates.
        Member Gibson asked the committee to consider the word adultify.
Chair Eddy Zheng suggested using the phrase ‘community agreement’ rather than ‘ground rules.’

VII. Community Needs Assessment (CNA) Timeline
A. DCYF Sarah Duffy presented the CNA Timeline to the OAC.
   - Sarah Duffy will be project manager with a team of analysts; a City Hall graduate fellow will provide additional support; DCYF Communications Team will coordinate with Sarah to help identify creative asset development.
   - SPWG, OAC Communications and Community Engagement Subcommittee and the Data and Evaluation Subcommittee will be engaged in the feedback process before bringing to the full OAC.
B. Member Comments and Questions
   - Member Gibson asked a clarifying question about different populations for data and if advocacy groups, district-wide parent groups are being considered for feedback. Member Gibson asked what the OAC’s involvement in this process looks like. Sarah Duffy stated that many details will be identified in the planning and development phase. DCYF will read reports and publications from advocates and conduct literature reviews. The OAC will help to make connections when DCYF cannot reach certain groups.
   - Member Chen asked if the OAC will receive a list of groups that DCYF is reaching out to. Sarah Duffy stated that a list can be provided. Director Su stated that DCYF has received feedback on the need for more time to plan and discuss how to reach families. DCYF will work strategically with the OAC and SPWG.
   - Member Powell asked if it is possible to see a copy of the previous CNA. Sarah Duffy replied that she can share a copy. The last report was great and will start the new report with that was already done and continue from there.
   - Member Gibson requested a root-cause analysis of why it was difficult to reach certain groups, and that the Data and Evaluation Subcommittee discuss at the next meeting.
   - Member Obermeyer stated that homeless transitional-aged youth (TAY) and the disconnected TAY population is important and requested that special attention is paid to the idea of methods for connecting and sustaining those communities.
   - Member Powell emphasized the importance of talking to youth to avoid adultism, and to have conversations about what is good for youth with youth included those conversations. Director Su asked the OAC to think about tools and incentives that are innovative and work to help youth participate more in focus groups. Member Obermeyer responded that money is a good incentive.
   - Member Chen commented on the need to have translators in specific Chinese dialect to be able to reach certain families. Member Xu seconded that comment.
   - Member Obermeyer recommended DCYF conduct peer-to-peer surveys.
C. Public Comment
   - SPWG Jodi Schwartz expressed appreciation on behalf of SPWG for the opportunity to engage, and the importance of living room conversations, summits, and DCYF meeting the community where they are.

VIII. DYCF Budget Update
A. DCYF Leo Chyi presented DCYF Budget Update.
B. Member Comments and Questions
   - Member Obermeyer asked clarifying question regarding the term ‘enterprise department budgets.’ Leo Chyi stated enterprise departments include the San Francisco Airport, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, and the San Francisco Port.
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- Member Obermeyer asked what sort of services would be first affected by an economic downturn and cuts. Leo Chyi stated that he is not able to say specifically. It is important to be aware of one-time costs or ongoing costs.
- Chair Zheng stated that it is important to create incentive for non-profits. Non-profits face space issues, as well as gentrification. Director Su stated that DCYF recognizes that costs in San Francisco are increasing. The Controller’s Office has not certified the exact amount of ERAF allocation dollars, but DCYF is proposing to split allocated dollars into two parts: 1) operations and infrastructure support for non-profits; and 2) augment and expand the Mayor’s Opportunities For All (OFA) Initiative.

IX. OAC Subcommittees Reports
   A. Executive Committee
      a. Member Obermeyer introduced and read the bylaws amendment to mandate at least one youth seat on the OAC. The City Attorney’s Office has approved the language. Motion to approve by Member Chen. Amendment approved unanimously.
   B. Community Engagement & Communications
      a. Dori Caminong reported that the next meeting is February 12, 2019.
   C. Data and Evaluation
      a. Member Curry reported that the last meeting discussed data sources, general plan, and SPWG memo. DCYF staff attended the last SPWG meeting.
   D. Technical Assistance & Capacity Building
      a. Member Gibson reported that the subcommittee last met to discuss implementation. Many subcommittee members attended the Our Children, Our Families Council meeting to discuss technical assistance and capacity building.

X. Report of the Service Provider Working Group
   A. SPWG Jodi Schwartz provided update to the OAC on behalf of SPWG Chris Tsukida.
      - SPWG recommended DCYF establish clear a communication loop for community input in the DCYF Community Newsletter in regards to new funding. Additionally, she requested that information regarding funding timelines and restrictions be also provided to the community. She requested active engagement with SPWG in regards to ERAF funds and future funding.
      - SPWG Jodi Schwartz shared the SPWG Memo sent to Chair Zheng and Director Su.
   B. Member Comments and Questions
      - Chair Zheng thanked SPWG on the thoroughness of the report, and agreed to engage SPWG to ensure some recommendations are being implemented at the bi-annual joint meeting.
      - Member Chen commented on the conversations happening around literacy and homeless TAY. Jodi Schwartz stated a lot of work has been done to find out how to work together and be allies. The community does a good job of partnering to ensure TAY is supported.

XI. Report of DCYF’s Our Children, Our Families Liaison-E’Leva Gibson
   A. Member Gibson shared updates with the OAC.
      - Jay Liao to backfill Pegah Faaed on maternity leave.
      - SFUSD Superintendent attended the last OCOF meeting on November 13
      - Next meeting is March 5th, time is to be determined.
XII. Report of DCYF Director
   A. Director Su provided updates to the OAC.
      • Citywide Summer Resource Fair is February 9th-April 6th with fourteen events in almost every district.
      • The Mayor and Supervisor Brown are hosting an event for youth called Heart and Sole in celebration of Martin Luther King Day.
      • OFA event with SFUSD and DCYF will take place at the War Memorial to help youth learn about resume writing, interviewing, and dressing for success.
      • DCYF has been invited to the Jim Casey Family Foundation and DCYF Laura Moye will be representing the department in San Diego to discuss coordinating across systems to support child welfare systems. Additionally, DCYF will be attending the University of Utah’s Winter Innovation Summit to discuss coordination of RBA within the context of equity and community engagement at the state level.

XIII. Future Agenda Items and Member Comments
   A. Member Comments and Questions
      • Member Obermeyer requested next agenda include item to explore opportunities to engage youth.
      • Director Su stated that there is no OAC retreat. There will be a special OAC meeting in February to discuss and decide on DCYF’s budget.

XIV. Adjournment
   A. Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.