Children and Youth Fund Oversight and Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Members: Ellie Lerner, Jada Curry (Vice Chair), Julie Roberts-Phung, Michelle Li, Mollie Matull (OAC Chair), Nadiyah Shereff, Tina Burgelmann, Winnie Chen, Yamini Osegua-Bhatnagar

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 16, 2021, 3:00pm – 5:00pm
Zoom Meeting Link: https://zoom.us/j/95106572007; Webinar ID: 951 0657 2007
Join by Telephone: 1-669-900-6833

I. Call to Order and Roll Call
A. Meeting called to order at 3:04pm.
B. Members Present: Jada Curry, Michelle Li, Yamini Osegua-Bhatnagar, Tina Burgelmann, Ellie Lerner, Julie Roberts-Phung, Winnie Chen, Nadiyah Shereff, Mollie Matull (late)

II. Adoption of the Agenda
A. Agenda adopted unanimously.

III. General Public Comments
A. No public comment.

IV. Approval of the Minutes
A. Minutes approved unanimously.

V. Youth Commission Budget Presentation
A. Youth Commissioner Gabrielle Listana shared the presentation.
B. Member Comments & Questions
   - Member Ellie Lerner asked if the Youth Commission have specific targets that support younger children in San Francisco. Commissioner Listana said that the commission is mostly focused on Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) for this budget cycle. Youth Commission Staff Austin Truong continued that TAY is often left out of budget priorities, and so the commission wanted to prioritize supports for TAY in this cycle.
   - Member Julie Roberts-Phung asked if the commission sees gaps for TAY. Austin Truong stated that City College YC laptops are given on temporary basis. Will circle back with more information on technological needs for TAY.
   - Director Maria Su thanked the Youth Commission for their thoughtful and informational budget proposal. DCYF staff attended the Youth Commission Budget Town Hall. Director Su stated that DCYF will continue to discuss programs and projects like the driver’s license program.
C. Public Comment
   - Marnie Regen from Larkin Street Youth Services thanked the Youth Commission for budget recommendations with whole-hearted support.

VI. DCYF Final Budget Presentation
A. Chief Financial Officer Denise Payton shared the presentation.
B. Member Comments & Questions
   - Member Julie Roberts-Phung asked how the short-run surplus and long-term shortfall affect the budget. How is DCYF using equity lens in the budget? Denise Payton shared that as the Community Hubs Initiative evolves, DCYF will continue to share gaps and needs with the City. The City is balancing increased and sustained costs for COVID-19 response. DCYF works with the Mayor’s Budget Office closely to ensure that the population served is continuously looked at with an equity lens. Director Su stated that DCYF funds using a racial equity framework and was included in the last Community Needs Assessment (CNA). Members can view the CNA, Services Allocation Plan (SAP), and the Request for Proposals (RFP) on the DCYF website.
   - All members approved the budget unanimously.

VII. Community Hubs Initiative (CHI) Evaluation from SPR
A. Heather Lewis-Charp, Rachel Estrella, and Mika Clark from SPR shared the presentation.
B. Member Comments & Questions
   - Vice-Chair Jada Curry asked if it is possible to survey TAY feedback on services provided at hub sites. Sherrice Dorsey-Smith stated that DCYF is working on opening hub sites specifically for high school and middle school students by mid-March. These hub sites will provide tech support and distance-learning support with college/career SAT prep and summer programming.
   - Member Julie Roberts-Phung asked if possible to access data on social emotional wellness and experience of participants and academic outcomes. She requested more information about closures and COVID exposures. Director Su stated that due to HIPPA constraints, we cannot disaggregate the data further. There have no outbreaks at hubs. All hubs follow DPH guidelines and have been effective in protecting the staff and participants at hubs. Sherrice Dorsey-Smith shared that DCYF can provide report on data of closures and infections since beginning of ECYC.
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VIII. Report of OAC Chair
A. Chair Matull shared her report.
   - Governance Strategy & Working Agreements
     - Finalizing Agenda Topics
     - SPWG/OAC Collaboration and Retreat
B. Member comments & Questions
   - Member Roberts-Phung stated the importance to call out items that require approvals and decisions from the OAC.
   - Member Tina Burgelman expressed appreciation to Chair Matull for working on governance strategy and working agreements.
C. Public Comment
   - Lisa Spinali shared that she is looking forward to working with the OAC on internal planning.

IX. Report of the Service Provider Working Group
A. SPWG Co-Chairs Kian Alavi and Madison Holland shared report.
   - Will share OAC Proposed Agenda Topics with SPWG and provide feedback.
   - Launched SPWG Newsletter and Instagram @sf_spwg_cyf; email “add to newsletter” to sf.spwg.cyf@gmail.com
   - Shared concern about past CNA format; felt that voices were missing due to limited number of Family Summits/timing. Requesting smaller feedback sessions. CBOs not currently funded by DCYF shared they felt intimidated by RFP process.
B. Member Comments & Questions
   - Member Roberts-Phung asked if CBOs feel they have necessary information regarding vaccinations. Co-Chair Alavi replied that one CBO has shared that most staff feel they have enough information. 15% would like to discuss with medical provider before getting vaccinated. Co-Chair Holland recommended more information at the individual level and shared that there has not been any text update after signing up for the City’s vaccination information text system.

X. Report of DCYF Director
A. Director Su shared her report.
   - On February 7, SFUSD’s collective unions announced a tentative agreement with SFUSD regarding health and safety protocols: agreement to follow DPH guidelines, ventilation, sanitization, cleaning, and contact tracing, testing frequencies and vaccinations. There will be more regular testing of teaching staff and students. For SFUSD to open in red tier, all teaching staff desired to vaccinated; in orange tier, staff are not required to be vaccinated. Negotiations are ongoing.
   - City Attorney’s lawsuit against SFUSD: SFUSD will move forward with focusing on reopening. The hearing is March 22.
B. Member Comments
   - Member Roberts-Phung asked if the state will require student testing. Director Su stated that student testing was recommended, but not currently required. DCYF is working with SFUSD to ensure logistics and administration of testing for youth and families.

XI. Action Items & Member Feedback
- Director Su to share equity analysis in the last Community Needs Assessment.
- Sherrice Dorsey-Smith to share data of closures and infections since the opening of the ECYC.
- Chair Matull and Vice-Chair Curry to meet with SPWG Co-Chairs regarding SPWG/OAC Retreat.
- Chair Matull and Vice-Chair Curry to continue working with Lisa Spinali on working agreements and member roles.
- Next OAC Meeting Date: March 8, 2021, 3:00pm – 5:00pm.

XII. Adjournment
A. Meeting adjourned at 5:40pm.