

Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2019
Capital Event Center – ESD 113
Tumwater, Washington

Members attending:

Maud Daudon, Karen Lee, Paul Francis, Jan Yoshiwara, Jeff Charbonneau, Susana Reyes, and Terri Standish-Kuon.

Staff attending:

Michael Meotti, Rachele Sharpe, Don Bennett, Aaron Wyatt, Katie Tallman, Becky Thompson, Kelly Hall, Crystal Hall, Isaac Kwakye, Marc Webster, J.Lee Schultz, Lucas Minor, Heather Hudson, Christina Crawford, Weiya Liang, and Kristin Ritter.

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Chair Maud Daudon.

Consent Agenda

Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

November 7, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Motion was made to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

WSAC Executive Director Report

Michael Meotti, Executive Director

The executive director welcomed new staff member Heather Hudson, Director of Policy & Planning, and announced the appointment of Lucas Minor as the Director of College Savings Plans and J.Lee Schultz as the Associate Director of External Affairs. Members reviewed progress on the 2109 Session, new partnership opportunities, and meetings of note in the weeks ahead.

Retrospective Look at 2013-2018

The Council adopted the Roadmap in November 2013, a vision to increase access, affordability, and alignment in higher education and the educational attainment level of Washington's residents by 2023. In the five year's since the Roadmap's adoption, attainment is increasing but not at a rate likely to reach the goals by 2023. Members focused on this conversation and identified priority strategies that can help increase the pace of change.

Review of Pre-Meeting Survey

Marc Casale and Andy Ferrera facilitated a discussion with members on how to better prioritize and align WSAC's work in reaching the educational attainment goals. Survey feedback, solicited from Council Members and partners, informed the discussion.

Ana Karen Betancourt Macias, Washington State University (Vancouver)

Kristina Pogosian, Tacoma Community College

Tony Porter, Saint Martin's

Mustapha Samateh, Edmonds Community College

Members invited students representing a number of institutions to participate in a panel to discuss the challenges students face when attending college. They shared their experiences, highlighting their challenges and successes in reaching their educational aspirations. The students also provided recommendations for how WSAC can continue to engage with students and institutions to increase educational attainment.

Introduction to Afternoon Session

In the afternoon session attendees discussion the following questions in both small and large group discussions on the following key questions, among others:

- What opportunities should we prioritize for 2019-2023?
- How are we uniquely positioned to contribute? What capabilities must we build?
- What partnerships should we build/deepen?
- How should WSAC engage and leverage the council?

No Public Comment

Meeting adjourned by Chair Maud Daudon at 3:20 p.m.