

Meeting Minutes

November 7, 2018

Capital Event Center – ESD 113, Tumwater

Members attending:

Maud Daudon, Karen Lee, Paul Francis, Jeff Charbonneau, Michaela Miller, Susan Reyes, Terri Standish-Kuon, and Yazmin Aguilar.

Staff attending:

Michael Meotti, Rachelle Sharpe, Aaron Wyatt, Ami Magisos, Becky Thompson, Crystal Hall, Ellen Conley, Isaac Kwakye, J.Lee Schultz, Jennifer Dyck, Kelly Hall, Marc Webster, Rashae Hamilton, Sarah Pasion, Weiya Liang, and Kristin Ritter.

Chair Maud Daudon called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Consent Agenda

Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda. An amendment was made for an Executive Session following all business of the meeting.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

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Motion was made to approve the minutes as written.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

WSAC Executive Director Report

Michael Meotti, Executive Director

Members received a quick overview of the purpose of this meeting and how the 2019-21 Strategic Action Plan advances system-wide recommendations to make progress towards the education goals of Washington State. The executive director's report also highlighted the growing opportunities for collaboration that extend beyond Olympia and existing education partners. At the close of the presentation, members were introduced to several new staff members of the Council.

Key Challenge: Support for Returning Adult Students

Dr. Rachelle Sharpe, Deputy Executive Director

Reconnecting adult learners is critical to reaching the state's attainment goals. The statewide adult reengagement framework builds on innovative practices in regions and on individual campuses. As part

of the statewide effort, the Student Achievement Council will host an Adult Reengagement Summit at the University of Washington on November 28, 2018.

Representatives from Washington State University, Seattle University, and the Seattle Community College District provided an overview of how their respective campuses are working to support returning adult students. Panelists recognized the unique opportunities and challenges inherit in serving this critical population. All agreed that state support, provided through the state's adult reengagement framework, will be vital to building upon current successes.

2019-21 Strategic Action Plan and Legislative Agendas

Dr. Rachele Sharpe, Deputy Executive Director

Council members reviewed the 2019 Legislative Agenda and the 2019-21 Strategic Action Plan. The Plan includes recommendations for program enhancements, policies, and investments that can address four critical challenges:

1. Closing opportunity gaps
2. Supporting regional leaders and efforts
3. Reconnecting adult learners
4. Creating affordable, high quality pathways

The recommendations of 2019-21 Strategic Action Plan are system-wide, since reaching the state's educational attainment goal is entirely depending on collaboration and the alignment of effort. While the plan does highlight a variety of promising strategies, members had an opportunity to review additional recommendations as shared by the panel below. The shared recommendations, in addition to the 2019-21 Strategic Action Plan, represent the collective 2019 Legislative Agenda. Members and panelists recognized the broad areas of alignment, and welcomed the opportunities to collectively advance these priorities in the months ahead.

Panelist for this presentation included the following:

- Paul Francis, Council of Presidents
- Dr. Michaela Miller, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Dr. Terri Standish-Kuon, Independent Colleges of Washington
- John Boesenberg, State Board for Community & Technical Colleges
- Nova Gattman, Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board
- Marc Casale, Career Connect Washington
- Jesse Gilliam, Washington STEM
- Juliette Schindler-Kelly, College Success Foundation
- Guillermo Rogel, Jr., Washington Student Association

At 12:15 p.m., Chair Daudon announced an executive session to discuss the executive director's yearly review. Attendees and staff exited the room at this time.

Chair Maud Daudon adjourned the meeting after executive session at 12:45 p.m.