

Council Meeting Minutes

August 23, 2021

9:00am

Zoom

Members Attending:

Jeff Vincent, Paul Francis, Jan Yoshiwara, Alejandro Alcantar, and Terri Standish-Kuon.

Staff Attending:

Michael Meotti, Don Bennet, Isaac Kwakye, Heather Hudson, Becky Thompson, Sarah Weiss, Marcie Sample, Ami Magisos, Crystal Hall, Marla Skelley, Gabriele Matull Worst, Luke Minor, Marc Webster, Stephanie Sampedro, Gail Wootan, and Savanna Navarro Kresse.

Meeting called to order at 9:00am

Consent Agenda

Motion made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

July 15 Meeting Minutes

Motion made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

Discussion and Approval of Policy Proposals

Presenter: Michael Meotti & Heather Hudson

Material

[Supplemental Budget FY22 Policy Recommendations Presentation](#)

The Council Discussed the following:

How can Washington help more K12 students directly enroll in postsecondary education and help more adults without a postsecondary education earn a credential?

1. Establish the Career and College Promise Community Challenge Fund to increase college going pathways for BIPOC and lower income students by investing in local communities.
2. Create a Statewide Career and College Advising Fellowship that would fund college students to be peer and near peer mentors on college and career planning.
3. Invest in regional initiatives to offer a student-facing app that integrates high school student data to support career and college planning.

4. Extend OtterBot texting to communicate to College Bound Scholarship students and parents, from 9th through 12th grade.
5. Fully fund College in the High School so that all low-income students can access college credit for free

Key considerations for next steps

- Expressed support for the proposals about with the following edits:
 - Page 3 – Advisory committee instead of governing committee
 - Page 4 – Removing “dual generational” approach, as it can unintentionally limit outreach.

What should Washington do to ensure postsecondary students have access to basic needs, including housing, food, childcare, and mental healthcare?

1. Expand existing pilot to support more students experiencing homelessness
2. Washington should have a recurring student survey to determine the statewide prevalence of postsecondary students’ unmet needs - for food, housing, childcare, mental healthcare, digital access- and the state should make the necessary investments to implement this work. (This is a recommended policy position for the Council, not a budget request).

Key considerations for next steps

- Expressed desire to make competitive funding available for private not-for-profit institutions to support students experiencing homelessness at all institutions. This was also supported by the basic needs taskforce and additional stakeholders.
 - Support from the Council at large to expand the existing pilot to include the above-mentioned competitive funds, as a means to include students at all institutions while ensuring the current proposal maintains the outlined funding.
- The expansion of the homeless pilot program to all SBCTC institutions is being seriously considered by SBCTC
- **Identified need:** language that encourages campuses to include graduate students in the basic needs survey proposal approve?

Conclusion: The Council was in agreement and in support of the proposals and outlined next steps as discussed. Agency staff will follow up with Council members unable to attend today’s meeting to include their feedback/recommendations.

Approval of Policy Proposals

Motion made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and discussed.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried

Public Comment

[See Appendix](#)

Meeting Adjourned: 9:55am

Appendix A[TVW meeting recording](#)**Appendix B**

09:04:35 From Host (Crystal Hall) to Everyone:	Welcome! Please use the chat feature to introduce yourselves... My name is Crystal Hall (WSAC staff), she/her pronouns.
09:04:57 From Virginia Barry to Everyone:	Virginia Barry, Stand for Children, She/Her
09:05:00 From Nova Gattman to Everyone:	Good morning! Nova Gattman, Workforce Board, she/her
09:05:05 From Brian Jeffries to Everyone:	Brian Jeffries - Washington Roundtable
09:05:07 From Ami Magisos to Everyone:	Ami Magisos, WSAC Policy and Planning
09:05:20 From Marla Skelley to Everyone:	Marla Skelley, WSAC SFA
09:05:25 From Luke Minor to Everyone:	Luke Minor; WA529/WSAC; he/him
09:05:38 From Marc Webster to Everyone:	Marc Webster, WSAC External Affairs. Good morning!
09:05:44 From Shea Hamilton to Everyone:	Good morning! Shea Hamilton, Independent Colleges of Washington (ICW)
09:05:48 From Sarah Weiss to Everyone:	Good morning! Sarah Weiss (WSAC staff, College Access, and Support), she/her.
09:06:13 From Alicia Kinne-Clawson to Everyone:	Alicia Kinne-Clawson, WA senate higher ed non-partisan staff
09:06:14 From Shelly O'Neill to Everyone:	Shelly O'Neill CCL Coordinator ESD 105
09:06:16 From Marcie Sample to Everyone:	Hello! Marcie Mills Sample, WSAC Staff, College Access & Support
09:06:25 From Don Bennett to Everyone:	Don Bennett, Deputy Director, WSAC
09:06:37 From Ruben Flores to Everyone:	Ruben Flores, Council if Presidents.
09:07:10 From Kelly Evans to Everyone:	Kelly Evans, College Promise Coalition, she/her
09:07:12 From Brian Richardson to Everyone:	Brian Richardson, CFO, WSAC
09:07:19 From J. Lee Schultz to Everyone:	J. Lee Schultz, State Board of Education, she/her
09:08:16 From Isaac Kwakye to Everyone:	Isaac Kwakye - Washington Student Achievement Council
09:09:20 From Catherine Matthews Everett SD (She/Her) to Everyone:	Catherine Matthews, Director of Assessment and Research Everett Public Schools

09:10:07 From Gabriele Matull Worst to Everyone:	Gabriele Matull Worst, Assistant Director, Need Based Programs - WSAC
09:10:51 From Cathy Woods to Everyone:	Cathy Woods (she/her), Director of College and Career Readiness, Everett Public Schools
09:11:00 From Reanne Chilton to Everyone:	Reanne Chilton, VP of Grad and Professional Students for Washington Student Association, she/her
09:13:35 From Dan Hammes Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University to Everyone:	Dan Hammes - Campus Director Embry-Riddle Aeronautical university (Washington Campuses)
09:18:56 From Elissa Hicks, WWU to Everyone:	Elissa Hicks, Government Relations, Western Washington University
09:27:18 From Paul Francis to Everyone:	Page 12, 2j – Change to “Advance strategies to improve recruitment, retention, and completion for Washingtonians ages 25-44 who do not currently possess a postsecondary credential.”
09:28:48 From Host (Crystal Hall) to Everyone:	Link to the document being discussed: https://wsac.wa.gov/sites/default/files/2021-08-23-0121-Proposals.pdf
09:34:04 From Heather Hudson to Everyone:	We did hear from stakeholders that focusing on adult learners should be also integrated into the proposals. That echo's Paul's suggestion.
09:44:25 From Gail Wootan to Everyone:	Do these proposals include WSAC staff FTE?
09:49:48 From Reanne Chilton to Everyone:	Thank you!
09:56:31 From Christina Garcia to Everyone:	Thank you