



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Youth Commission

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

5:30 PM

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A. Call To Order

- Present** 9 - Supervisor ANALIESE EICHER, ADAM FEARING, KHADDY JARJOU, SHRIYA KATA, MARCIA MORALES, KARI STAMPFLI, KEMA WILLIAMS, Supervisor MEGHAN BENSON, and Supervisor FRANCESCA MACIOPINTO
- Absent** 1 - Supervisor KELLY DANNER

Others present: Karen Menéndez Coller, Centro Hispano Executive Director; Maria Paula Lujum, Centro Youth Programs Coordinator, and Evelyn Cruz, Centro Deputy Director

B. Consideration of Minutes

1. [2019](#) 2019_1016 Youth Commission Minutes
[MIN-285](#)

Attachments: [2019_1016 YC Minutes](#)

A motion was made by EICHER, seconded by MACIOPINTO, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - EICHER, FEARING, JARJOU, KATA, MORALES, STAMPFLI, WILLIAMS, BENSON and MACIOPINTO

Absent: 1 - DANNER

C. Action Items

D. Presentations

1. Discussion on the needs and issues of Latinx youth and advocacy role of the Youth Commission

This meeting was a follow-up discussion to the information shared by Centro youth at the September listening session. Menéndez Coller shared that Centro offers youth programs on-site (ReGeneracion) and at schools (Escalera and Juventud). The school-based programs provide support, safe space, advocacy for student and parents, academic tutoring, and career exploration delivered by one full-time coordinator and volunteers. ReGeneracion is a youth led action and advocacy program that provides a significant support. The Center also responds to individual needs of youth and families who seek support from the Center. Menéndez Coller and Cruz stated that in all program areas, the needs of youth exceeds the Center's capacity, particularly in areas of behavioral health where barriers to service include insurance and the lack of bi-lingual, bi-cultural options. Centro is trying to add a social worker to their staff and is in discussion with UW on being a behavioral health residency site. They have also been working with UW Center for Education Research on training youth to be evaluators of programs. Centro staff are regularly engaged in community education and advocacy to address issues raised by students related to oppression. When asked what the Commission could do to advocate for Centro, Menéndez Coller identified advocacy for resources to build capacity was the number one priority with evaluation support being a distant second.

E. Reports to Committee

1. DCYA 2021 planning process

Bettin reported that planning for the 2021 Youth Assessment will begin this month by convening the Steering Committee. Stampfli noted that she will be the representative for MMSD this year. Masciopinto and Benson will serve on the Steering committee. Kata will participate when possible.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next YC meeting is on February 19 and will held at the City-County building. Room to be determined. Listening sessions will resume in March.

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

I. Adjourn

Adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Connie Bettin pending Commission approval.