

**African American Black Student Success Plan
Advisory Group Meeting Minutes
May 7, 2021 | 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Oregon Department of Education
Zoom Communications**

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Item	Discussion
<p>Welcome – 9:00 a.m. <i>Chair Harris</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Opening Statements ● Roll Call 	<p><i>Chair Harris experienced some technical difficulties in joining the meeting. OEDI Director Deb Lange began the meeting.</i></p> <p>Deb Lange took the roll call for this meeting.</p> <p>May Meeting Agenda: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Nl7sgGdcx7tK_ZjE-HRt1U5qIwk2FAYe/view?usp=sharing</p> <p>May Meeting Slidedeck: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1v8wreodHzc7eBBdzCQV4YrvGjtlhL0MAzdD6lwsoFu/edit?usp=sharing</p>
<p>OEDI Director Welcome - 9:05 a.m. <i>Deborah Lange, OEDI Director</i></p>	<p>Deb Lange welcomed everyone to the meeting. She acknowledged the recent decision on the George Floyd case and reminded that there is still violence happening against black people from the police. The work of this advisory group is so important in dismantling the systems that are harming our kids.</p> <p>Deb briefly reviewed the agenda for today’s meeting. The majority of the meeting will be around the revisions to the advisory group charter, with a couple short presentations from NPC and YDD.</p> <p>Deb announced to the advisory group that starting in June all of the Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion advisory group meetings will be livestreamed on YouTube. This is being done in an effort to provide better access to the public. The public will be able to</p>

	<p>only view the meetings and the time set aside at the end of each meeting for public comments will be conducted as usual (individuals will still need to submit comments to Erin prior to the meeting). The call-in conference line will still be available for members of the public if they would like. Deb encouraged advisory members to reach out to her with any questions or concerns.</p>
<p>Approval of March 5, 2021 Minutes – 9:30 a.m. <i>Chair Joyce Harris</i></p>	<p>The April 2, 2021 meeting minutes were unanimously approved by the Advisory Group with no changes.</p> <p>April 2, 2021 Meeting Minutes: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xEqechAsPSgrNXTMCo4MhP6qjREwqcke/view?usp=sharing</p>
<p>NPC Research Evaluation Update - 9:15 a.m. <i>Tanisha Woodson, PhD, Shannon Davidson, PhD, NPC Research</i></p>	<p>Tanisha Woodson and Shannon Davidson presented on behalf of NPC on the recent work being done in data collection evaluation. Today’s presentation is a high-level overview: an in-depth final presentation will be given at the June meeting.</p> <p>A timeline of the NPC contract was presented. Currently, NPC is in the completion phase of their contract with ODE. This includes a complete analysis of qualitative process data and quantitative outcome data. They are also in the process of creating their final report and will share that report and findings at the June 25, 2021 advisory meeting.</p> <p>NPC created a new data collection, the grantee data inventory. This has just been completed by the grantees within the last week. A brief walk-through of this inventory was given to the group to demonstrate how the grantees select which indicators they are working towards and the data they are collecting within each indicator.</p> <p>Shannon Davidson briefly presented how the evaluation plan has adapted and changed as the needs of ODE and the grantees have developed over the last year. The following are the events and concerns that caused these changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● COVID-19 & school/program closures ● Privacy concerns about student-level data ● Grantee data expectations vs. reality <p>The adaptations that have come about due to these concerns are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Interviews with grantees, school and district leaders instead of site visits ● Masked data and change of timeline ● Focus on listening to grantees and putting data infrastructure in place <p>Q: Iris DeGruy-Bell asked whether the grantees had an objection to the evaluation team discussing the data and access to student data with NPC. A: Shannon Davidson clarified that this objection was only in the case of NPC having access to student identifiable data, such as student id numbers. NPC will still be able to access the data as the solution that was achieved was that ODE creates new unique id’s to replace the student-identifiable ones. NPC will still be able to see which students are being served by the grant program.</p> <p>Q: Iris DeGruy-Bell asked for verification that the grantee data points being discussed align with the African American/Black Student Success Plan. The plan outlines specific things that grantees should be doing and therefore their data points should align with the plan. A: Shannon Davidson confirmed that this was the basis of the grantee data inventory. There is additional checking occurring at ODE to ensure that grantees are aligning their contracted indicators with the overall plan, and with the expenditures they are requesting and the data they are being asked to present. NPC is advocating for more specific direction at the outset of bringing on a new cohort that clearly requests grantees to state their intended indicators and the data that will be expected of them.</p>

Q: Veronica Dujon acknowledged the effectiveness of the data inventory tool being available for the next cohort of grantees and the text boxes that will be provided for them to be able to explain and provide additional information. This additional information will be critical in ensuring alignment between grantees and the success plan as well as future plan development.
 A: Tanisha Woodson responded that this has developed due to previous conversations with grantees.

Q: Veronica Dujon asked if in the indicators being tracked or in the data inventory, in addition to the information collected about the students themselves is there any information collected about the families or the wraparound support that grantees are delivering to the families of the students.
 A: Tanisha Woodson responded that this is included in the data inventory.

Q: Mark Jackson asked if the evaluation outcomes will inform the upcoming RFA. How can we put forward a new RFA when we haven't seen a final evaluation report?
 A: Iris DeGruy-Bell responded that the two are not really mutually exclusive. The timing of the two is not necessarily a problem in a broad sense: it's only in a smaller, more in-depth context that it could be problematic that the RFA is being released before the evaluation report.
 A: Shelaswau Crier responded that there is not necessarily a disconnect in the timing between the RFA and evaluation report. The biggest way that the evaluation work so far has impacted the RFA is in making sure that ODE is setting out clear expectations of grantees at the outset of the RFA cycle.

Youth Development Division Grant Opportunities - 9:45 a.m.
Sonji Moore, JD, MPA, Racial and Ethnic Disparities Coordinator, YDD, Juvenile Crime Prevention Team, Paul Sell, Reengagement System Manager, YDD
Bill T. Hansell, M.S., Youth Policy Analyst, YDD

Sonji Moore began the presentation by the YDD team. She briefly introduced Paul Sell and Bill Hansell. Their purpose in presenting today is to outline the available YDD 2021-2023 grant opportunities.

Paul Sell shared with the group the vision, mission, and values of YDD. The department is invested in working with kids from ages 6-24 in many different areas. YDD works directly under the direction of the Youth Development Council (YDC).

Bill Hansell shared that YDD is split into 2 different divisions: Youth Grants & Juvenile Crime Prevention. The Youth Grants portfolio has 2 parts: Community Investment RFA and Reengagement RFA. Between these 2 parts there are 5 different grant opportunities for community organizations.

1. Youth Violence and Gang Prevention grant
2. Youth Solutions Initiative grant
3. Youth Promise Initiative grant
4. Youth Workforce Readiness Initiative grant
5. Reengagement Opportunity grant

Paul Sell shared some new aspects to this cycle of grant funding.

- Use of an online application portal that includes an eligibility screener
- Providing regional assignments
- Increase of allowed administrative costs
- Providence of start-up funds to successful applicants

Youth Development Division Website:
<https://www.oregon.gov/youthdevelopmentdivision/Pages/default.aspx>

Charter Revisions - 10:00 a.m.

The work done today is to complete the revisions to the Advisory Group Charter. Shelaswau Crier led the group through the document for their feedback on the current

<p><i>Shelaswau Crier, AABSS Coordinator</i></p>	<p>changes. Additions and corrections suggested by the group were made to the document in real time by Shelaswau Crier.</p> <p>Additional work is needed to complete these revisions. Shelaswau Crier will create a copy and distribute to advisory group members that allows them to comment. Time will be found in the June meeting to revisit this discussion.</p> <p>Revised Charter: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tEflTezzW8LKJ1cFowQ-IJg7P1KnD8SFCuLicPMx9xo/edit?usp=sharing</p>
<p>Break – 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p><i>This break was revised to 5 minutes to allow for adjustments to the timing of agenda items.</i></p>
<p>General Updates - 11:40 a.m. <i>Shelaswau Crier, AABSS Coordinator</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Website biographies ● Statements of Interest for current AABSS Advisory Group Members ● Other Advisory Groups ● June Meeting - June 25, 9:00-12:30 	<p><u>Website biographies:</u> Shelaswau Crier mentioned that there has been an ask to receive biographical information from the advisory group. Concerns have been raised regarding safety so this ask will be put on pause until deeper conversations can be had surrounding this.</p> <p><u>Statements of Interest for the current AABSS Advisory Group Members:</u> The June 25, 2021 meeting will be the last meeting of this biennium. The request is that current members write up a statement of interest if they are intending to remain members.</p> <p><u>Other Advisory Groups:</u> There are additional advisory groups that ODE supports and facilitates that are currently recruiting members. This advisory group is being asked to assist in spreading the word and encouraging community members to apply. It was suggested that members of this group might consider applying to increase representation and coordination.</p> <p><u>June Meeting:</u> The June meeting will be moved from the first Friday of the month to June 25, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. This was in an effort to allow for time for NPC to complete their evaluations and analysis in accordance with their ODE contract.</p>
<p>Public Comment – 11:30 a.m. <i>Shelaswau Crier, AABSS Coordinator</i></p>	<p><i>No public testimony was received for today’s meeting. Time allotted for public testimony was added to the Charter Revision portion of today’s agenda.</i></p>
<p>Community Announcements and Updates – 11:50 a.m.</p>	<p>D.L. Richardson brought forward to the group that Southern Oregon is hosting the Black Youth Summit Institute the week of June 21-25.</p> <p>Chair Harris reminded the group of an event happening tonight and next week in collaboration with Nicole Hannah Jones.</p>
<p>Adjourn – 12:00 p.m. <i>Joyce Harris, Chair</i></p>	

Next Meeting: June 25, 2021 from 9:00am - 12:00pm