



MINUTES TO BE APPROVED
Oakland Fund for Children and Youth (OFCY)
Planning and Oversight Committee (POC) Meeting

May 6th, 2020 □ 6:00pm-9:00pm

Zoom Teleconference

Wednesday, May 6, 2020

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Committee Members present: Kimberley Aceves, Anakarita Allen, Betty Booker, Langston Buddenhagen, Max Chacana, Dwayne Davis, William Kegelmeyer, Tasion Kwamilele, Cameron Park, and Susan Yee

Committee Members absent: Pamela Harris,

Staff Members present: Sandra Taylor, OFCY Manager; Mike Wetzel, OFCY Planner; Scott Kim, OFCY Program Analyst

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by POC Chair Langston Buddenhagen. There was one modification to the agenda. The Open Forum was moved to the end of the action items rather at the start of the meeting to allow for more opportunity for public to comment in the first POC meeting conducted on zoom.

2. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes from March 4, 2020

Tasion Kwamilele moved to adopt the prior meeting minutes as presented. Langston Buddenhagen seconded the motion. A roll call of the vote followed, and all members voted to approve with the exception of an abstention by Max Chacana, as he was not in attendance in the March meeting.

3. Revised Grant Renewal Recommendation for Summer 2020 Programs (FY 2020-2021)

Sandy Taylor presented a revised funding recommendation for summer 2020 program grant awards. Staff recommends POC approval of revised awards for 13 programs with funding totaling \$1,507,424. Awards were revised in light of the global pandemic emergency and reduction in funding available for grants in FY 2020-2021. OFCY has reached out to all programs, including holding a zoom meeting with the programs, to discuss funding reductions and revisions to programming in summer 2020. Three programs with grants below \$75,000 will not have funding reductions, while 10 programs will have funding reductions of 10%. Two programs will not be providing summer programming in 2020, and will not receive grant awards.

Max Chacana asked staff how some of the larger community-based programs expected to do their work virtually in summer. Tasion Kwamilele provided that East Oakland Youth Development Center in council district 7 provides critical work and has the leadership to provide services and bring in additional support for programming in her district in East Oakland. Staff shared that programs are providing a range of virtual enrichment programming while working to address the critical community needs that are arising during the crisis. Programs will also be key in helping students keep in advance of the upcoming school year.



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There were three public speakers on this item.

- Patrick Leonard from Community Works asked about when the city's revised budget would be made public, and if the revenue cuts were 10%. He asked the POC for consideration of equitable funding and consideration for smaller programs and those that are based in Oakland with Oakland staff.
- David Kakashiba from East Bay Asian Youth Center (EBAYC) shared that his organization has declined a grant award for summer 2020 in order to preserve those dollars so OFCY can better weather future revenue funding cuts. EBAYC will continue to be active this summer in the community, with their team described as a cadre of mini social workers, checking in with their youth people and parents. They are helping their families engaged through EBAYC's work at 13 schools in afterschool and 7 summer sites in accessing services, information, and by providing cash assistance to families that have suffered tremendously through the shelter in place order. EBAYC was successful in receiving a PPP loan and will use the funding for the onboarding of afterschool staff two months ahead of time, and making contact with their young people through summer with that support.
- David Hunt from Prescott Circus Theatre thanked the POC and OFCY staff for the trust in programs this summer. By April, he was able to rally teaching staff to engage students at 5 sites in twice-weekly online classes – and has been learning in real time what online engagement looks like.

Anakarita Allen moved to adopt a motion to approve the revised summer 2020 grant awards as detailed in the staff memo. Kimberley Aceves seconded the motion. A roll call of the vote followed, and all members voted to approve with the exception of an abstention by Max Chacana.

4. Open Forum

There were no speakers for open forum.

5. Administrative Matters

Sandy Taylor announced that May 27th will be set for the next meeting date and staff would bring forward a recommendation to the POC for approval of year-round grant programs.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.