

**Redding Consortium for Educational Equity
Social Determinants Work Group
March 14, 2022, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes**

The virtual meeting was convened at 4:30 p.m. Jeff Menzer, Co-Chair of the Social Determinants Work Group, welcomed all in attendance.

Menzer provided an overview of the agenda and goals for the meeting.

Redding Pre-k and Wraparound Services Update

Matt Denn provided an update on the current and future services surrounding the Redding funding dedicated to pre-k and wraparound services. Matt stated he and others met with providers who shared they were interested in expanding pre-k from part time to full day instead of gaining new slots. For the next funding cycle, the goal is to encourage providers to apply for new slots and longer days. The next RFP will allow for both options. There are three operational sites for wrap around services: Bancroft, Bayard, and Kuumba Academy. All funds that Redding requested for the next fiscal year should be in the operating budget moving forward. Secured funding for multiple years, will allow providers and centers to hire long-term staff and create more long term and ambitious programming.

Street Data & DDOE's Data for Truth and Action

Teri Lawler provided an overview of creating a data dashboard that focuses on truth, action, and equity. The Center for Social and Emotional Learning were working with Kentucky, Michigan, Oregon, and Massachusetts on strategic communications to put social and emotional learning first; Massachusetts is no longer part of the group. Now, the focus is how to use data for truth and action. The current challenges are transparency, equity, and humanizing the data. They are using a Next Generation model to flip the dashboard discussion to look at qualitative data that is student focused and from the margins. The framework includes an approach that follows antiracism and awareness. They will delve deeper into the framework and book this summer.

The plan for the remainder of year is to listen to the student voice. They will focus on how to engage young people to hear their needs and support/advocate for their needs. Then they will shift to meet their needs. They have an upcoming summit in summer and will engage with a healing center. The goal is finding the opportunities from data collection to respond in ways that allow students to build agency and thrive in their school and community.

Raye Jones Avery, Co-chair, will share a report focused on black women and girls that directly relates to the experiences Lawler mentioned.

Equity Data Dashboard Update

Adrian Peoples provided a high-level summary of the last meeting surrounding the feedback about the equity data dashboard. He showed the work group the current information organized from the brainstorming session. The document will undergo a few more changes before being presented to the working group members for feedback.

Question: Discussion**How do we define the City of Wilmington?**

Adrian Peoples led a discussion on why it is important to define the City of Wilmington and how the group will move forward with their definition. He shared that many different groups may define the city based on zip codes, voting districts, communities etc. Therefore, it is important for the working group to have consensus on how to define the City of Wilmington so that the data collected and presented reflects that choice.

After much discussion, the group decided to use geography to define the City of Wilmington. The group will also look at how the City of Wilmington was defined historically. The next steps are to create a map of the city with different layers (i.e., zip code, election districts, etc.) to determine the geographic boundaries.

Path Forward

Next meeting is April 11, 2022, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Attendance

Work Group Members

Jeffrey Menzer
Raye Jones Avery
Dawn Alexander
Tika Hartsock
Dorrell Green
Teri Lawler
Cora Scott
Kim Williams
Roger Harrison

IPA/DSU Staff

Haley Qaissaunee
Kelly Sherretz
Tillie Jonas

Members of the Public

Matt Denn, Redding Consortium Co-Chair
Adrian Peoples
Steven Davis
Karen Eller
Kristi Lloyd