

Skagit County Board of Health

Peter Browning, Chair Lisa Janicki, Commissioner Ron Wesen, Commissioner

PHT Meeting Minutes August 4, 2022/8:30am Skagit Station Meeting Room

Members: Thomas Boucher, Carolyn Conner, Chris Johnston, Kenneth Lawson, Maureen Pettitt, Margaret Rojas, Lyndie Simmonds, John Sternlicht, Annaliese Vance-Sherman, Bill Henkel, Maddy Mackenzie, Oscar Rivera, Kevin Murphy

Community Stakeholders: Polly Dubbel, Jennifer Sass-Walton, Marci Bloomquist

Ex-Officio: Peter Browning

Staff: Kristen Ekstran, Emmett Clayton

Guests: Kelli Baker, Leon John, Andrea Harrison

Welcome- Maureen Pettitt

Maureen brought the meeting to order and updated the Trust on Steering meeting work.

ARPA Update

Kristen shared that the Commissioners had committed to initially funding 4 ARPA proposals based on partner availability, project development and staffing capacity: Latinx Mental Health Matters, Food Policy Council, Perinatal Behavioral Health Support and Child care. On August 9, the Commissioners will sign a resolution committing to those projects. Other proposals will be considered as conditions evolve and staff/organizational capacity is identified. Workforce development is a key issue that Commissioners would love to see the Trust continue to work on.

We welcomed our new Trust member, Leon John, from the Swinomish tribe and the didgwálič Wellness Center

- Leon Introduced himself and talked about the Swinomish interest in the Trust.
- Trust members introduced themselves and their organizations and shared the Trust goal areas they are most focused on.

North Star

Tenfold staff explained their research into four case studies from Skagit County and how they are using these
case studies to map out the resources and barriers in the community. Trust members provided feedback on
aspects of the case studies that could be clarified or updated.

Kristen closed the meeting with appreciation for the Trust's work and reminded them that the equity survey would close the next day at the end of the day.