



**Commission on Children and Youth
Annual Planning Retreat: Meeting Summary-**FINAL**
October 13, 2021
Meeting held via Microsoft TEAMS (virtual)**

Members Present via Microsoft TEAMS: Kirsten Andersen, Stephanie Clark, Renae McPherson, Jeanett Peralta, Anna Marie Finley, James S. Hopkins , LaTanya Johnson, Tatiana Marina Lollo , Phebe Melaku, Thanh-Thuy "twee" Nguyen , Albert D. Reed, Chanel M. Speaks

Members Absent: Simoni Mishra

Staff Present: Pearline Tyson (DHHS)

Renae McPherson, chair, called the annual planning retreat to order at 6:35 pm

Chair's Opening Remarks

- Remarks about CCY Meeting Hosted via Microsoft Teams
- Reminder of BCC Protocol for voting via roll call
- Commission members reviewed and approved June 9, 2021 meeting minutes (sent electronically)

Commission Business

- Chair Reviewed Mission and Purpose of CCY for new members.
- Discuss suggested priority areas for current commission year-Accessible Youth Spaces, Youth Employment Opportunities.
- Select subcommittee group participation for year.

Subcommittee Break Outs--

- Reviewed notes from June meeting and subcommittee priority statement
- Determine focus of subcommittee work and long-range plan
- Identify subcommittee members and chair

Accessible Youth Spaces Members- Kirsten Andersen, James S. Hopkins , Tatiana Marina Lollo , Thanh-Thuy "twee" Nguyen , **Albert D. Reed,**

Youth Employment Opportunities Members- Stephanie Clark, Jeanett Peralta, Anna Marie Finley, LaTanya Johnson, Phebe Melaku, Chanel M. Speaks.

Full Commission Reconvenes/Subcommittee Report Outs

Accessible Youth Spaces

- **Elected Albert Reed, Chair**
- **Note Taker Twee Nguyen**
- **Defined working definition of accessible youth spaces.**
- **Documented resources for further education for group.**

Youth Employment Opportunities

- Did some brainstorming of potential direction.
- Ideas: Making information on employment accessible to youth.
Entrepreneurship opportunities for students.
- Will elect chair and co-chair at next meeting.

Questions from Guests

No guest present.

Adjournment 8:21pm