



**Commission on Children and Youth
Annual Planning Retreat: Meeting Summary-**FINAL**
February 9, 2021
Meeting held via Microsoft TEAMS (virtual)**

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

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Pearline Tyson (DHHS)

Chair Calls the Full Commission Meeting to Order 6:34pm

Roll Call (to determine quorum)

Commission approved January 12, 2022 Meeting minutes (sent electronically)

Commission Business

- *Youth Having a Voice Roundtable planning*
 - Three topics will be impact of covid-19 on students in Montgomery County, accessible youth spaces and youth employment.
 - Phebe Melaku will work on flyer.
 - Event will be widely advertised; goal is for 50 participants.
 - Process for youth participants- 1) Eventbrite - Register, indicate interest for facilitator. 2) MCPS invitees get SSL link to sign up there.
 - Created a list of special guests

Subcommittee Break Outs

Full Commission Reconvenes/Subcommittee Report Outs

Youth & Accessible Spaces

- Created draft questions related to what youth think about and barriers to accessible spaces for youth roundtable.
- Reviewed recommendations from last month's speakers.

Youth Employment

- Created draft questions related to youth employment (barriers, job readiness, internship opportunities) for youth roundtable.

Youth & Covid

- Created draft questions related to how schools are currently handling mental health, violence and virtual education.

No questions from guests

Adjournment 8:46 pm