



MEETING MINUTES

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Healthy Youth and Schools Commission Meeting March 22, 2023 3-4:30 p.m.

This meeting summary serves as a review of the March 22, 2023 Healthy Youth and Schools Commission Meeting held in a hybrid format. A recording is available upon request (Caitlin.Shauck@dc.gov). The purpose of the Healthy Youth and Schools Commission is to advise the Mayor and DC Council on health, wellness, and nutritional issues concerning youth and schools in the District of Columbia.

Commissioners who attended in person: Kristy McCarron, Tia Marie Brumsted, Noemie Durand, Jenn Mampara.

Commissioners who attended virtually: Diana Bruce, Kafui Doe, Danielle Dooley, Marierose Mbinack, Charneta Scott.

Welcome and Introductions

- Chairperson Kristy McCarron called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

Commissioner Welcome

- The commissioners introduced themselves and shared their bios.

Recap of the Previous Commission Meeting

- Caitlin Shauck provided an overview of the previous commission meeting on May 18, 2022.

Foundations of the Commission

- Caitlin Shauck, Policy Analyst at the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) presented on the goals for the current commission meeting and provided background information on the Healthy Schools Act of 2010. Caitlin also provided an overview of the purpose and functions of the commission, examples of previous work, the role of OSSE, and commitments of commissioners.

- Chairperson McCarron presented the proposed commission plan for 2023 and opened the floor for commissioners to provide their recommendations.
- Commissioner Jenn Mampara shared feedback for 2023 priority areas including mental health services and the quality of school meals.
- Chairperson McCarron presented on the three focus areas for 2023 based on the survey completed by commissioners which include emotional/social and mental health, school meals, and vaccine promotion. Chairperson McCarron asked commissioners to share their feedback and whether the focus for this year should be on the first focus area of emotional/social and mental health given that it received the highest percentage.
 - The commissioners agreed that they might want to narrow the focus to mental health.

Update from OSSE

- Commissioner Tia Brumsted provided an overview of OSSE's Strategic Plan for 2023-2025 and encouraged commissioners to review it. Commissioner Brumsted also recognized Marie Williams for her service to the Division of Health and Wellness and the Healthy Youth and Schools Commission and wished her well on her new professional journey.

Comments from Commissioners on Current Work

- Commissioner Diana Bruce congratulated OSSE for releasing the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) 2021 Data and shared an update of her current work related to supporting LGBTQ+ students.
- Commissioner Noemie Durand shared two survey opportunities including a mental health survey for high school students.
- Chairperson McCarron provided an update from the Food Policy Council.

Final Discussions, Closeout and Priorities for Next Meeting

- Chairperson McCarron adjourned the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

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