

Friday, January 20th, 2022 | 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Virtual Meeting

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Denton County Workforce Success Leadership Team

8:30 am Friday, December 16, 2022 Virtual Meeting Over Zoom

Welcome and Introduction

Mr. Troyer calls meeting to order at 8:30 am. Mr. Troyer calls for approval of October and November meeting minutes. Mr. Emerson motions to approve and Mr. Koontz seconds. Mr. Troyer shares his personal testimony from the National League of Cities convention.

2023 Committees

Ms. Redondo thanks Mr. Troyer for his leadership on the DCWSLT. Ms. Redondo calls for a nominating committee to nominate the next chair. In addition, Ms. Redondo talks about the strategic plan and that it is time to revisit it. She states that she is also looking to form a strategic plan committee to review.

Mr. Troyer calls for volunteers of the nominating committee. Mr. Emerson, Dr. Del Rio, Ms. Roberts volunteered to serve on the committee.

Mr. Troyer calls for volunteers to the strategic plan committee. Mr. Bob Troyer volunteers himself followed by Ms. Christina Williams. Mr. Gary Henderson nominates Mr. Chris Watts, Ms. Olivia Mata-Williams and Christina Williams to be in the strategic planning committee. Mr. Henderson and Ms. Shaw would like to appoint someone from City of Denton to be in the group as well and that is pending City of Denton's strategic planning.

Advocacy Overview

Ms. Shelby Redondo shares about the upcoming state legislative session. UWDC has been meeting with City of Denton, Denton ISD, UNT, and TWU to convene and prepare. Mr. Henderson states Mr. Concoll from City of Lewisville has also been invited to join. Ms. Redondo shares a list of bills that have been identified as priority under UWDC's seven priorities, including two bills specifically: SB 47 which covers the licensing of mental health professionals and a bill pertaining to the Tri-Agency initiative under Governor Abbott that addresses workforce.

Mr. Henderson thanks Sara Hensley and the City of Denton City Manager staff Ryan Adams and Jennifer Rainy in pulling this group together for the first time. Mr. Henderson mentions TWU partnering with Bezos Academy. Ms. Redondo explains that TWU is offering free child care to qualifying students. Dallas College is also doing similar, but it is a partnership with a child care center and is grant specific. Dr. Jeng mentions she is excited of this trend. Dr. Del Rio mentions they have been connected to Bezos Academy as well.

Workgroup Updates

Ms. Orduna shares that the FCCN sits at 79 members. The relationships with Texas Rising Star and Licensing has been very beneficial in achieving this number. 5 members have moved to Texas Rising Star allowing them to accept child care subsidies. Ms. Orduna notifies the group that the last training



of the month is on the following Saturday.

Ms. Dooley shares that in 2023 she will be meeting with the Dallas Federal Reserve to talk about financial literacy and empowerment. In addition she is meeting with Workforce Solutions and other non-profits to increase collaboration.

Denton County Leadership Team Updates

Mr. Henderson explains that the Denton County Commissioner's funding for Mental Health Navigators was awarded to MHMR. These mental health navigators will be located in between the United Way of Denton County's suites.

Ms. Olivia Mata-Williams discusses the upcoming Point-in-Time count with the hope for 120 volunteers and have recruited 60. She lets the group know how they can get involved to volunteer and the importance of the PIT count. Ms. Mata-Williams share the success of the Lewisville Mortgage Assistance program, they have had 5 applications successfully go through and that funding is set to end March 31, 2023.

Backbone Support Updates

Ms. Shelby Redondo explains Mr. Chris Watts was unable to attend today. They have been scheduling a meeting with Curantis in hopes to pilot a non-profit waitlist specific to child care subsidies. In addition, Ms. Redondo shares a data dashboard Curantis created for Tarrant County and walked the group through the data. She explained that they are willing to create a separate one for Denton County and the North Central Texas Region.

Public Comments

Mr. Troyer shares that Serve Lewisville is having their grand opening today 2-4pm. Ms. Spencer shared the BHLT and the Wellness Alliance for Children's Health is hosting a children's art contest again this year. They are accepting entries till mid March. Ms. Shaw and Ms. Ball share about the new Loop 288 shelter. Things went smoothly on the grand opening and MHMR will be moving in soon to provide services. Ms. Shaw explains the history of how they have gotten to this point. Mr. Henderson congratulates.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourns at 9:17 am. Our next meeting is scheduled for January 21st, 2023.

If you have something you would like on the agenda for our next meeting, please contact Shelby Redondo, shelby@unitedwaydenton.org