



# MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, Nov 16 @ 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
Downtown YMCA (900 4<sup>th</sup> Ave)  
Conference Room 120

## Goals for the meeting:

- Get to know each other
- Learning how to effectively use media in messaging

## Discussion Item:

### Check-in & Youth Commissioner Announcements

Becky opened up the meeting with a quick check in. It seems like school and the results of the recent election are weighing heavy on most people's minds.

Regarding the recent election results, Catherine Zhu shared an effort underway in Ingraham High School among different club and student leadership. They plan to release a statement designating Ingraham as a safe place for various communities affected by the current political climate. She asked if SYC would like to issue a similar type of statement, about solidarity and alliance, and youth commissioners were in support of this idea. We will use some time on Nov 30 meeting to discuss this in more detail.

Isabella gave a report out of the Tiny: Streetwise Revisited Screening at Bishop Blanchett High School on Nov 15. James, Kaileah, and Becky all supported movie screening. The turn-out was fewer than they had hoped, but was still able to facilitate a great discussion following the movie.

### Approving Nov 2 SYC Minutes

Becky moved to approve the minutes. James seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.

### Media Maker Launchpad

Kate Schneier and Amethyst Thorpe, from Y-Tech, led a media workshop for the group. They talked about the importance of defining your audience for your video, as it is important to tailor your message in different ways, depending on the audience. As you plan your video project, you should be thinking about what you want the audience to think, feel, and do as a result of watching the video.

They invited the group to break into committees and think about a possible video project. Who would be the audience? What would you want them to think, feel, or do after watching the video?

They also talked about the importance of storyboarding before you begin a project. There should be a story arch – at the beginning, you should include details about what is important, leading up to the point when your story unfolds, and the ties it all back to the beginning. \*many stories are driven by a question/problem and telling a story is a response to that question.

They shared a ton of resources including: What goes into a Video Project?, Production Checklist, Elements of a Story, and Storyboard (these will be available on the website in the coming days).

They also offered ongoing support for any video projects that you all might want to do. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, they have an Open Media Lab on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the 2100 Building. They also have equipment they would be willing to lend to support your projects, including laptops with editing software. They suggested the I-Phone as a great tool for making videos and some editing apps that include I-Movie, Adobe Clip, and We Video.

Kate and Amethyst suggested that if groups are thinking about doing a video project, you should consider doing a 'Pitch Session' with other committees in SYC – so you can practice streamlining your points.

Please follow up with Kate Schneier @ [kschneier@seattlemca.org](mailto:kschneier@seattlemca.org) for more information about any of this. They are a resource for us!

## Committee Follow-up

- *Public Safety Committee:*
  - Jeron Gates ([Jeron.Gates@seattle.gov](mailto:Jeron.Gates@seattle.gov)) – re: Learning Circles. Would you be open for meeting with Jeron? Who will take point on communicating with Jeron?
  - Anthony Shoecraft – Dec 17 Youth/Police Peacemaking Circle event. How would you like to be involved? Who will take point on communicating with Anthony?
- *Education/Schools:*
  - Dwane Chappelle, Director of Department of Education and Early Learning would like to meet with you. Who would like to take point on contacting Mr. Chappelle? ([Dwane.Chappelle@seattle.gov](mailto:Dwane.Chappelle@seattle.gov))
  - On Nov 30, we will have two reps from Seattle Public Schools join us. *Can this committee come up with a list of questions that you would like to ask them about by Nov 28?*
- *Homelessness/Housing Affordability:*
  - How did Nov 15 Tiny: Streetwise Revisited screening go? Would any of you be willing to write a quick summary/blogpost about the experience?
  - Dec 8, from 6 – 7:30 pm - Solid Ground Discussion on Rapid Rehousing (<https://www.solid-ground.org/events/housing-forum/>)

### **Potential Ideas for SYC:**

- Would SYC be up for hosting an “Ask the Mayor” segment for the Seattle Channel? Can you collect questions from peers to ask Mayor Murray?
- Would SYC be up for hosting a “Council Connections” segment for the Seattle Channel? Can you collect questions from peers to ask Councilmembers?
- Nationwide issues impacting youth?

### **Future Meetings**

- Nov 30 Meeting – Seattle School District Diversity and Equity Team, Bernardo Ruiz & Abraham Rodriguez-Hernandez  
**\*Room change for next meeting**  
*Seattle Municipal Tower (700 5<sup>th</sup> Ave Floor 17, rm 1756)*
- Dec 7 Meeting – Deputy Mayor Hyeok Kim hosting us in the Norm B. Rice Room
- Jan 4 Meeting – Councilmember Tim Burgess

### **Input on Youth Jobs?**

Andrea Greenstein is working with the Office of Economic Development and Seattle Youth Employment Program on the Mayor's Youth Employment Initiative. Her nonprofit, Educurious, is responsible for identifying employers/jobs for the Initiative, with a focus on jobs in the private sector.

They are currently in the process of planning and looking ahead to jobs for summer 2017. They would like to meet with the youth commission to get a sense of your ideas/priorities for youth jobs and training.

### *Questions for you:*

- Are you interested in weighing in on this discussion?
- How would you like to provide feedback – phone, e-mail, in-person?
- If you would like to follow-up, please email: [agreenstein@educurious.org](mailto:agreenstein@educurious.org)

### **Announcements & Opportunities**

- **Election Reflection @ Rainier Vista** (*I will be attending this event – please let me know if you want to join me!*)  
**Monday, November 21**  
5:00 – 7:30 p.m.  
2917 S. Snoqualmie St (Snoqualmie Room)  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/220499291715456/>
- **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Teen Leadership Summit**  
**Saturday, December 3rd**  
11:00am – 5:00pm (10:30am check-in & 5-6pm OPTIONAL social time)

## Tukwila Community Center

### Questions for you:

- Do you have ideas for potential topics for discussion at the summit? If so, email them to me ASAP.
- Do you have ideas for a few Large group Ice Breaker ideas? If so, email them to me ASAP.
- Are you planning to come? RSVP by emailing me to confirm by Tuesday, November 22nd. So far, Kaileah, Clarissa, Carter, Becky, Victoria, Ziah have expressed interest in attending.
- Do you need a ride?

### • **Other Opportunities to check out:**

- SPS is accepting applications for the [K-5 Gender Identity Material Task Force](#).
- [Girls in Science High School Program](#) is accepting applications! Jan-Mar 2017 Paleobotany. Deadline is December 15.
- [Military Academy Nominations](#). Apply by Nov 18. If qualified, applicant will interview with a panel. Learn more at Congressman Smith's site.
- Check out the Washington State Legislature Senate [Page Program](#)!
- Reading Partners needs [volunteers](#) for their high-need tutoring blocks.
- Best Starts for Kids is sending 12,000 random [surveys](#) to families. They need help connecting with families of color or limited-English speaking families. [Email](#) or call UW at 1-888-313-9575.
- [Hour of Code with Girls in Science](#). Burke Museum. Monday, Dec 5. FREE. Registration required!
- SPS Community Meetings on [Educational Specifications](#) on Nov 10 and 15. Spanish, Somali and Vietnamese interpreters will be present.
- K-12 Visions and Outcomes: [Solving the Education Problems Money Can't Fix](#). Nov 30.

## Action Items

- Follow up with your committee members about above 'committee follow-up' items
- Please let me know if you are interested in attending Dec 3 Teen Leadership Summit and if you have or are able to offer a ride to any of your fellow commissioners
- Think about language that you would want included in a Statement of Solidarity that SYC could put forward.