

**FAMILIES, EDUCATION, PRESCHOOL, AND PROMISE
LEVY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

Regular Meeting
Thursday, October 23, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order

Director Chappelle called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

II. Attendees

Members Present: Dr. Lakeya Afolalu, Natalie Beauregard, Janet Ceballos, Dr. Susan Lee, Melody McMillan (on behalf of Chancellor Rosie Rimando-Chareunsap), Girard Montejo-Thompson, Stephanie Morris, Erin Okuno, Councilmember Maritza Rivera, Manuela Slye, Evan Smith

Members Absent: Dr. Donald Felder, Lori Baxter (on behalf of Mayor Bruce Harrell), Sarah Clark, Marques Gittens, Dr. Ted Howard (on behalf of Superintendent Jones), Linda Thompson-Black

Others Present: Dr. Chris Alejano (DEEL), Sarah Burtner (CBO), Dr. Dwane Chappelle (DEEL), Jemini Davis (DEEL), Leilani Dela Cruz (DEEL), Dr. Ismael Fajardo (DEEL) Jasmine Marwaha (Central Staff), Marissa Rousselle (DEEL), Jonathan Swift (DEEL), Mei-Li Thomas (DEEL), Sara Rigel (Public Health)

III. Public Comment

No public comments were announced at this meeting

IV. Business Items

K-12 Health Investments

Presenters:

- Vik Cheema, DEEL K12 Wrap Around Services Advisor
- Mitzi Laney, ARNP, Co-Site Medical Director, Neighborcare

Review & Advise	Recommend	Vote	Advocate
Speaker Initials	Question/Comment		
ES	Re: Slide 10: What drives the distribution of the School Based Health Centers? What data is informing where they are located? CA- Historically, DEEL leadership and staff looks at various data points for the distribution of SBHCs but a primary one is space availability and coverage across schools within the district.		

	<p>VC- Need, opportunity, advocacy, and interest. Enrollment and SBHC proximity to another school with and without one.</p> <p>Re: Slide 13: It appears we have a 10:1 ratio of visits: students. Is that normal? That seems high. I am curious about benchmarking.</p> <p>VC- The types of visits can sound high however distributed the 3 types of services the number averages out. RE: benchmarking now aware of what it could look like in other districts in the county.</p> <p>SR- Public Health doesn't benchmark across the county for types of services or total number of services as it not a measure of quality or success.</p>
JC	<p>How do the SBHC work with Kaiser as they are in at least one middle school in the south end. Does DEEL fund the MH position through Kaiser?</p> <p>VC-They do still fund those and can be found on slide 10</p> <p>SR - Kaiser mental health providers are also contracted in the PH-SKC-run SBHCs</p>
CMR	<p>RE: medical # of unique students –what is happening with these students that are having multiple visits? Do they have a need that is going unmet? Is there a follow-up that is happening to ensure that needs are met?</p> <p>Mitzi – The Center takes a look at the type of visits a student may need such as dental, mental, or preventative health and follows up with that student to schedule a visit within the calendar year; mental health patients usually see a provider once a week, which can add up very quickly. The Center has the unique ability to request follows up with that student within a week of general care visits such as an ear infection, or schedule vaccine catch ups.</p>
GTM	<p>I notice there are total visits listed for dental in the 23-24 chart but all other columns are listed n/a</p> <p>VC - We are reporting on aggregate data and not unique visits.</p>
SM	<p>I recall the expansion, from the SPS side they were pleased to move from Title 1 schools to low equity tier schools (high proportion of minority/immigrant/MLL students), and where Neighborcare was already active.</p>
CMR	<p>Staffing – Can you talk more about the coordinator piece?</p> <p>VC – Experts at Seattle Children's and UW SMART Center advised that coordination was key to ensure that the increased MH therapists were</p>

	utilized. Coordinators help students navigate systems, connect to school and out of school resources for behavioral health, and work with families. They bridge between the school, SBHC, families and students.
CMR	<p>Can students access support without parental permission? Is there a maximum level of visits students can take advantage of?</p> <p>SR – there is no set number of visits as the current mental health model focuses on specific needs 6-8 visits are common number.</p> <p>VC- Re: Slide 11 – Not requiring parental consent for every visit.</p> <p>Students at age 13+ can self-consent for mental health care. So parental consent is not required but we encourage parental involvement in their care.</p>

- Dir Chappelle informed the LOC of Mayor Harrell's \$1.3 billion levy renewal proposal
- Dir. Chappelle overviewed the updated 2025 Meeting Schedule

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

VI. DEEL Follow-up to LOC Member Questions

N/A