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Police Transparency & Accountability Task Force

Daryl McGraw, Co-Chairperson



c/o Judiciary Committee, Room 2500 Legislative Office Building 300 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Ct 06106

Public Awareness Subcommittee Youth Work Group

Minutes Friday December 11, 2020 1:30pm., via Zoom

Attendees: Daryl McGraw (Chair), Dr. Danielle Cooper, Tamara Lanier, Iliana Pujols, Paul Klee, Samantha Moul, Brian Anderson, Andrew Clark, Henri Alphonse, Makenzie Ozycz, Reverend Steven Cousin, Chief Keith Mello, Dyana Hagen (KTP), Nana Amos, Richard Frieder

- I. Convene meeting and welcome a. Chair McGraw convened the meeting at 1:33 pm.
 - Introductions a. At the request of Chair McGraw subcommittee members & guests introduced themselves.

III. Discussion: Youth Listening Sessions

a. Recap: Young adult November listening sessions:

Dr. Cooper explained UNH process and expressed wishing there was more University resources. She also expressed that young people appreciated hearing directly from the task force. Andrew Clark followed up expressing that testimony guide from UNH was helpful and important. He also pointed out that Everyday Democracy will be producing a report for the listening sessions. He concluded by recommending a change in platform that would allow easier access to transcripts, functionality, etc. Nana Amos explained UCONN's process, including the need for more lead time and importance of preparedness.

b. Planning:

II.

i. <u>Youth under 18:</u> Tamara Lanier expressed ways of getting young people to the table, including reaching out to NAACP Youth, Hearing Youth Voices (New London), and The Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Youth Council. Andrew Clark asked if model should be replicated from November listening sessions.

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Makenzie Ozycz replied that a youth moderator structure would be important for further listening sessions with under 18 population. Paul Klee agreed with this, and recommended having one moderator for the whole session.

Iliana Pujols (CT Juvenile Justice Alliance) presented a planning document for the under 18 listening session, their purpose, when they would be held, who would hold sessions. The document outlined how to spread the word (social media), and expressed treating under 18 listening session similar to other sessions. Andrew Clark asked if January would work for the under 18 listening sessions, general response was yes. Iliana Pujols mentioned having additional cosponsors for the sessions. Andrew Clark recommended assigning groups to each session to cosponsor, find moderators, etc. Tamara Lanier mentioned being aware of the MLK holiday in January to plan accordingly with student activities. Andrew Clark proposed holding two sessions at the end of January, with possibility of creating one more going into February.

Andrew Clark identified next steps as choosing dates, number of sessions, length of sessions, identifying groups that have connection with youth to best utilize sponsorship. Chair McGraw proposed members reach out to youth groups before next meeting.

IV. Other business

a. There was no other business discussed by the group.

- V. Schedule date and time of next meeting *a. Date for next meeting 12.18.20 at 12 pm.*
- **VI.** Adjournment *a. The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 pm.*

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