

Dept. of Children, Youth & Families

Early Support for Infants & Toddlers (ESIT) Program

State Interagency Coordinating Council (SICC) | Virtual Meeting

Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023

Time: 9 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

9 - 9:30 a.m. | Welcome & Introductions | SICC Chair, E Renae` Antalan

- SICC Chair, E Renae` Antalan welcomed meeting attendees and gave her visual description
- Meeting Role & Purpose statement reviewed by E Renae` Antalan
- Will Moncrease, Jr., ESIT Partnership & Collaboration Manager, shared his visual description and the *zoom meeting do's and don'ts and keyboard shortcuts*
- Group agreements shared by E Renae` Antalan
- Will Moncrease, Jr., ESIT Partnership & Collaboration Manager, held a moment of respect and led a meaningful Land Acknowledgment. See educational resources below:
 - [Native Land](#) is an app to help map Indigenous territories, treaties, and languages.
 - [The Office of Native Education \(ONE\)](#) aids school districts in meeting the educational needs of American Indian and Alaskan Native (AI/AN) students.
- SICC Chair, E Renae` Antalan, conducted SICC member roll call. SICC members each gave land acknowledgements and brief introductions and physical descriptions
- **Motion:** SICC member, Laurie Thomas, moved to approve both the October 2022 and January 2023 Meeting minutes and February 2023 agenda, seconded (by Janet George), SICC members voted and approved unanimously
- SICC members were asked to think of a *power word* and share *the meaning behind the word*

9:30-9:50 a.m. | Parent Stories: ESIT Services & PIE Cohort 5 Introduction

ESIT Family Engagement Coordinator, Vanessa Allen, introduced herself, gave her physical description and introduced PIE members, Bailey Gonzales and Lauren Houghtalin, who shared their personal experiences receiving ESIT services for their children, their transition process and receiving services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Members expressed their gratitude for the PIE members' sharing their stories and asked questions to gain additional insights:

- Q: If you could go back in time and receive the kind of support that would have been helpful for you, what would that have been?
 - A: So many questions, no answers. Would have like more knowledge from pediatrician, or anyone, about existing resources and access to them
 - A: Explanation in plain-talk what to do and expect, online support group of other parents (no waiting list)

9:50 a.m. – 10 a.m. | Break



10 a.m. – 11 a.m. | Micro-Training: Zack Siddeek, MSW (He/Him), Jae Kin, MSW (She/Her/Hers), and Peter Jung, M.ed, He/Him/His | The Arc of King County | [Zack Siddeek](#)

Disability is a form of diversity so often left out of equity and social justice conversations. Zack, Peter and Jae shared a presentation, titled Disability is Diversity, and held interactive discussions with the group, exploring how biases impact our words and the way we treat people with disabilities. Topics included:

- Disability Rights is Civil Rights
- Respectful Language
- The Different Forms of Disability
- The Models of Disability

Disability is Diversity

Stella Young is a comedian and journalist who happens to go about her day in a wheelchair — a fact that doesn't, she'd like to make clear, automatically turn her into a noble inspiration to all humanity. In this very funny talk, Young breaks down society's habit of turning disabled people into "inspiration porn" (watch time 9:16):

I'm not your inspiration, thank you very much

Zack Siddeek is an Autistic social worker and community organizer practicing in Seattle, Washington. He is passionate about increasing the representation of Autistic people in all matters and places that impact them and infusing disability justice principles wherever possible.

He works as the Disability Systems Navigation coordinator at the [Arc of King County](#). He organizes the [Square Pegs](#), a series of 25 social and support groups for Autistic adults in Washington State. He is on the board of the [Washington Initiative for Supportive Employment](#) a nationally renowned organization that promotes equitable employment for people with developmental disabilities through innovation, training and technical assistance."

Peter Jung is the Information and Resource Coordinator with the Arc of King County. As an autistic self-advocate with 8 years of experience working in intensive youth behavioral health services in Pierce county and the surrounding areas, he is committed to improving the lives of youth with developmental and intellectual disabilities and their families. He specializes in supporting autistic youth in developing friendships through gaming and promoting self-advocacy.

Jae Kim is the Supervisor of Information and Referral at the Arc of King County. As a social worker who has a developmental disability, she believes these services are critical including education, housing, employment, etc. Jae believe that social services are a basic need to which all people should have access. This is also why she wanted to study social work – to advocate for people with disabilities and support them to lead successful lives. She wants to help them find their voice because they are the ones that face the challenges and they know what they need to be successful.

10:54 a.m. – 11:04 a.m. | Break

11:04 a.m. – 11:48 a.m. Micro-Training: Continued

11:48 p.m. – 12:18 p.m. | Lunch Break

12:18 -12:35 p.m. Agency & Committee Updates

The SICC committee chairs will share updates, move motions and/or make recommendations to the council.

- **Laurie Thomas, ESIT:** SSIP, Contracts, Technical Assistance team quarterly check-ins, legislative update
Beth Kriebel, DSHS/DDA: brief legislative update, touring [JOYA](#).
- **Ryan Guzman, OSPI/ECSE:** [ECSE](#), [Full SpEd Update](#) and brief legislative updates.
- **Jen Chong Jewel, SEAC:** The next SEAC meeting:
 - SEAC Virtual Community Forum, held February 21, 2023, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
The (OSPI) Special Education is partnering with the National Center for Systemic Improvement (NCSI) to engage in a Systemic Equity Review of special education services in Washington state. Parents, guardians, and family members of students with disabilities were invited to join us to share their lived experiences related to special education.
- **Shellea Quillen, HCA:** brief legislative updates on tracking:
 - [SB 5470](#) Creating a new health profession for lactation consultants
 - [HB 1168](#) Providing prevention services, diagnoses, treatment, and support for prenatal substance exposure
 - [SB 5501](#) Establishing a public education program to reduce the incidence of stillbirth using a platform for recording and tracking fetal movements
 - [SB 5580](#) Improving maternal health outcomes

12:35 - 12:40 p.m. Public Comment

- **Lisa Greenwald, Kindering, Finance Committee:** Tracking [HB 1676](#) update: moved out of House of Human Services Committee and onto Fiscal Committee and heard in appropriations.

12:40 – 12:50 p.m. | Evaluation & Wrap Up

SICC council members were asked to share reflections on the day's presentations, personal stories and information shared and last thoughts to wrap up the February 15 meeting.

Next SICC Meeting:

Wednesday, April 19, 2023 | Virtual