



**Meeting of the Planning Committee**  
 Wednesday March 4, 2015  
 7:30-9:00 a.m.  
 Quarters 2 Building, Beacon Hill Campus  
 1200 12<sup>th</sup> Ave South, Seattle, WA

MEMBERS PRESENT		NOT PRESENT	ALSO PRESENT
Ellie Menzies	Michael Leong	Mike Heinisch	Jeff Natter
Doug Jackson	Judy Tobin	Nancy Sugg	Christina Bernard
Sharyne Shiu Thornton		Rich Nafziger	Ellie Chopp

Judy Tobin called the meeting to order at 7:39 a.m. A quorum was not present. There was no public comment.

**Minutes**

As there was not a quorum, the Committee will review the February 4, 2015, meeting minutes at a later meeting.

**Committee Governance**

*2015 Planning Committee Workplan*

The Committee members present reviewed the draft 2015 workplan. They all agreed that the framework was good and covered all of the items that the Committee would be addressing in the year. Several members also stated that the real conversation and work of the Committee will be in the detailed activities surrounding each task.

**Grantmaking**

*Nimble Fund Quarter 2 Grant Recommendations*

The Committee members reviewed the recommendations of the Nimble Fund Quarter 2 Committee, which was comprised of Jeff Natter, Ellie Chopp, Nancy Sugg, and Doris Koo. The Executive Director reported that the PHPDA had received 13 applications and that the review committee was recommending funding three:

- Economic Opportunity Institute - \$25,000 to conduct a study of Affordable Care Act enrollment and utilization disparities with special focus on King County issues
- Lutheran Community Services Northwest - \$49,629 of start-up funds for mental health clinic services to immigrant/refugee populations in Kent
- Washington State Smile Partners - \$50,000 toward purchase of a mobile dental care van to provide services to low income elementary students in South King County

The Executive Director also quickly summarized some of the applications that were not recommended for funding. All Committee members present agreed that the Nimble Fund Review Committee’s recommendations should be brought to the Governing Council for final action.

*Topics in Future PHPDA Funding*

The Executive Director gave a presentation to the Committee on future PHPDA funding, largely focused on a recommendation regarding pooled funding. The 2015 PHPDA budget allocates \$250,000 for pooled funding, which will allow the PHPDA to combine resources with other funders to focus larger amounts of funding for targeted work, but the project or partnership still needs to be determined. The Executive Director recommends that the PHPDA work with the Communities of Opportunity project, joining the Seattle Foundation and King County as funders.



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The Executive Director provided an overview of Communities of Opportunity. The project has chosen three place-based communities to target funding across sectors to develop policy and system changes. Each of the three sites will receive \$150,000 per year for planning, policy, and other work. Each community is represented by a lead agency with large and small community partners. The plans and work will be directed by the community rather than the funders. The Executive Director believes that the project, with which he has been involved for over a year, provides the opportunity for the PHPDA to be the primary health funder in an already-established cross-sector collaboration.

The Committee discussed the idea further, raising several questions. Some were concerned about the tensions between larger and smaller organizations, including how the work and funds would be allocated, as well as disparities in infrastructure. They also raised concerns about how different organizations focus on system change versus service delivery. They also had questions about who would determine how the PHPDA money is focused and what kind of specific work it would fund. The Committee members recommended that the Executive Director have a further discussion about this idea with the full Governing Council.

The Executive Director also briefly discussed potential changes to the focus of future major grants, a topic that will be a significant area of discussion for the Committee later in the year.

**Grant Management**

*Evaluation support to PHPDA grantees*

This topic will be covered at a future Planning Committee meeting.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

Minutes approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)