

School Resource Officer Rountable // MINUTES (8/31/2021):

Attendance: Jesse Huddleston, Alec Greenwald, Xavier Cason, Dwayne Campbell

Absent: Nori, Tyler, James, Jovonia

-- check-ins (Jesse)

>> how was your August?

>> Brutal, anxiety in your face, making it work,

>> we confirmed that Tonya was no longer serving on the task force. Xavier shared that Superintendent Mubenga and Trustee Umstead would work to replace her at their earliest convenience.

-- listening sessions (Jesse/Alec)

>> We debriefed the principals listening session, naming some of the realities of the conversation, particularly the perception of defensiveness from principals that Jesse and Alec felt.

>> Xavier reminded us that he was transcribing the principals listening session and would redact unique identifiers, such as names of principals and schools, and anonymize context in order to protect participants and process of data collection and analysis.

>> Dwayne mentioned that it's okay to not have a definitive set of conclusions from the time and reminded us that the principal's comments are anecdotal and not necessarily immediately representative of other sessions we'll have.

>> Dwayne also shared that this really is just the beginning and that we could determine the process we create. Dwayne highlighted that it was important to check biases and that analyzing while in the process might influence the quality control (considering confirmation bias, listening to date rather than talking to the data)

>> Alec and Jesse agreed that a listening session on parents and caregivers would be a good next step rather than continuing to analyze the session with principals. Jesse reminded the group that they wanted to invite a RT member to join that had experience with Spanish-speaking community members and culture of English as a second language.

>> Alec added that he met with Joshua Laub, Director of Office of Safety & Youth Development (based in NYC). He's part of a coalition of other large cities doing this SRO work, and Alec mentioned interest in working with folks like Joshua and building in questions that help participants imagine. Jesse wondered about a future focus group, where principals could talk back and forth with someone like Joshua, especially since it feels important to center the experiences of people in Durham.

>> Alec also reminded the group that there is a formal MOU for SROs and that he's interested in understanding how their roles are defined in the MOU. Dwayne will resend the MOU to the RT members.

>> We held off on exploring more development on the youth listening session since Tyler and Nori were absent. Dwayne did want to discuss stipends (\$25 gift cards for 92 youth, and \$100 for 8 student recruiters) with Tyler and Nori, specifically the issue about payments over \$25.

Dwayne added that the cost of refreshments will be covered via City of Durham p-card.

-- Wrap-up/Confirming next meetings

>> Next Task Force meeting // Wednesday September 8 @ 6PM-730PM

>> Xavier shared that there will be 2 prompts for each RT that should be answered at the next TF meeting.

1. What has been your successes or challenges as you conduct a comprehensive review of existing private and public safety and wellness resources?

2. Are your reviews of services beginning to reveal community safety needs not currently being addressed? If, so, what are they?

>> Next RT meeting // Tuesday September 14 @ 6PM-730PM

>> Please share agenda suggestions by Sunday September 12.