

## Department of Children, Youth, and Families Oversight Board Agenda



**Date:** May 15, 2025 | **Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**In-Person:** Helen Sommers Building, Room 3015  
106 11<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, Olympia, WA 98501

**Zoom:** [Link](#) | Meeting ID: 894 3151 0504 | Passcode: 386036

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**Co-Chairs:** Dr. Diane Liebe and Senator Claire Wilson

**Staff:** Lyscha Marcynyszyn, PhD, *Executive Director* & Nickolaus Colgan, *Administrative Coordinator*

Time	Agenda Topic	Lead
9:00 – 9:10 am (10 mins)	<b>Welcome, Roll Call, &amp; Approval of Meeting Minutes</b>	Co-Chair <b>Senator Claire Wilson</b> and <b>Lyscha Marcynyszyn</b> , Executive Director
9:10 – 9:40 am (30 mins)	<b>Supporting the K-12 Education Success of Youth Involved in Child Welfare and Juvenile Rehabilitation (JR)</b>	<b>Dr. Sarah Veele</b> , Director of the Office of Innovation, Alignment, and Accountability, DCYF, <b>Peggy Carlson</b> , Child Welfare Education Program Administrator, DCYF, and <b>Haley Lowe</b> , Director of Education, DCYF
9:40 – 10:40 am (60 mins)	<b>Educational Outcomes for JR Involved Youth and Emerging Adults</b>	<b>Matt Frizell</b> , Assistant Superintendent, Office of System and School Improvement, OSPI and <b>Mikhail Cherniske</b> , Senior Policy Analyst, Government Relations, OSPI
10:40 – 11:00 am (20 mins)	<b>Public Comment</b>  <b>Public Comment Statement.</b> The DCYF Oversight Board operates under state law, which outlines its authority and responsibilities <a href="#">RCW43.216</a> . Specifically, the Board is responsible for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monitoring DCYF's progress toward achieving outcome measures</li><li>• Ensuring DCYF's compliance with applicable laws and policies</li><li>• Overseeing DCYF's performance and policies</li><li>• Offering advice and input to DCYF, the Legislature, and the Governor</li></ul> While the Board may consider information brought to its attention as part of its general oversight and monitoring role, it does not have the authority to investigate, direct, or alter DCYF's decisions in individual cases. Additionally, during public comment periods, neither the Board	Co-Chair <b>Dr. Diane Liebe</b>

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	<p>nor meeting presenters can respond to comments beyond a simple acknowledgment.</p> <p>To respect individuals who may have sensitive stories to share or wish to discuss details of individual cases, we'd like to remind you that the Board is subject to the Open Public Meetings Act. This means our meetings are open to the public, recorded, posted on the Oversight Board's website, and livestreamed on TVW. Written public comments submitted in advance have been sent to the Board members. To ensure everyone has an opportunity to speak, please try to limit your comments to 2-3 minutes.</p>	
11:00 – 11:10 am (10 mins)	<b>Break</b>	
11:10-11:20 am (10 min)	<b>Shared Values Statement</b>	<b>Lyscha Marcynyszyn,</b> Executive Director
11:20 – 12:40 pm (80 mins)	<b>Power Dynamics, Decision Making, &amp; Courageous Conversations Training</b>	<b>Dr. Adrian Thompson,</b> Equity & Employee Development, Department of Enterprise Services (DES)
12:40 – 12:55 pm (15 mins)	<b>Juvenile Rehabilitation Outcomes Subcommittee Update</b>	<b>Bobbe Bridge, JR</b> Outcomes Subcommittee Chair
12:55 – 1:00 pm (5 mins)	<b>Closing Remarks and Adjourn</b>	Co-Chair <b>Senator Claire Wilson</b>

**Public Comment Process:** The DCYF Oversight Board welcomes public comment in two forms: Orally (virtually, telephonically, or in-person) during the allotted time on the agenda, or in writing submitted to [Nickolaus.Colgan@gov.wa.gov](mailto:Nickolaus.Colgan@gov.wa.gov) by end of the day on May 12, 2025. Written public comments will be distributed to Board members via email two days prior to the beginning of the Board meeting to allow for sufficient time for Board members' review.