

# Minutes

## Child Support Schedule Workgroup

Subcommittee: Economic Table

Friday, March 24th, 8:30-10:00

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## Attendance

### Members Appearing:

Anneliese Vance-Sherman	Gaston Shelton (Tui)	Amy Roark
Sharon Redmond	Kimberly Loges	<i>Facilitator: Janina Oestreich</i>
James Clark (Jim)	Janelle Wilson	<i>Note taker: Jana Ekstrom</i>

Public Attendees: None

## Agenda Details

### 1. Welcome & Introductions (8:36am-8:45am)

- a. Ice Breaker- What does success for this subcommittee look like for you?
  - i. Questions being answered regarding the economic table
  - ii. May be a little too early to look towards the visionary end, but today's accomplishment would be to gain clarity on what is going to be achieved in this group
  - iii. Being able to work together and coming up with something for future parents to navigate through child support together
  - iv. A safe place to be able to heard and contribute
  - v. To modernize or update the economic table so that it more accurately reflects and exceeds \$12,000

### 2. Agreements Will use the agreements that were brainstormed at 2/24/23 CSSW Workgroup meeting and no additional ideas were added

## Group Agreements:

- Raise hand to speak - speak in turn, don't interrupt
- Positive vibes and respect - be the energy you want back
- Respect everybody's different values and perspectives
- Encourage alternate views
- Be open minded
- Honesty
- Treat others the way you want to be treated
- Courtesy
- Be on time and timely
- Ask clarifying questions to ensure you understand the speaker
- Active listening and feedback
- Be curious
- Assume good intent
- Try not to take things personally
- Be mindful
- Do not judge
- Be present

### 3. Subcommittee Logistics (8:45am)

- a. Timeline
  - i. Today 3/24/23 is initial subcommittee meeting
  - ii. Will be reviewing for prospective dates/times for subcommittee meetings
  - iii. Next full workgroup meeting is set for 3/31/23 at Green River Community College from (9am-3pm)
  - iv. June 2023 is when subcommittee's final report will be due and delivered to the full workgroup, to include recommendations
- b. Roles and Responsibilities
  - i. Anneliese Vance-Sherman is the lead for this subcommittee and will be responsible for providing updates to the full workgroup in those scheduled meetings. Lead will also be responsible for providing final report for the work the subcommittee has completed
    - Updates to include what ideas/points were discussed and research the subcommittee is doing
  - ii. The roles of the members in this subcommittee group will be the same as the roles from the full work groups roles
    - Added role: to provide input based on your knowledge and skills
- c. Charter (8:50am)
  - i. Mission and Purpose
    - What is this subcommittee trying to accomplish?
      - a. Making the process easier to calculate and have the economic table expanded beyond \$12,000
      - b. Will create consistency in orders
      - c. Income shares model versus obligor model – Will need to figure out which model to use then figure out which model to focus on
      - d. To further review and research what other states are doing and why so can modernize worksheets to accurately reflect what child support should be for paying parent and receiving parent
      - e. Review what RCW 26.19.020 states and then propose to modify it with the numbers that the subcommittee came up with
  - ii. Scope
    - Discussion on which worksheet model is being used in Washington compared to other states.
      - a. All states have their own worksheet model they use to determine responsibilities, but there are two types:
        - i. Income Share model – both parents income
        - ii. Obligor Situation model – mainly dependent on the paying parent's situation
      - b. It was suggested that a high level overview of what Washington currently uses and what alternatives might look like will help everyone better understand the models and concepts being used
        - i. Majority of the subcommittee agreed that getting the research of other approaches would help better determine the scope of this subcommittee
    - What is in scope for this subcommittee?
      - a. Policy and implementation plan recommendations
      - b. Looking at the specific type of model used
    - What is out of scope for this subcommittee?
      - a. To be determined

d. Impact

- i. Who will be impacted by the subcommittees work?
  - Children
  - Noncustodial and Custodial Parents
  - Judges and Attorneys
  - All families
  - The State (DCS Staff)

**4. Timeline and Milestones (9:34am)**

- a. When does the subcommittee want to meet?
  - i. Bi-weekly and then play by ear
  - ii. Once receive historical overview research, can get a better idea of how large of project this will be and then can get more dates determined
  - iii. Fridays mornings work well (9-9:30am start)
  - iv. Next date agreed upon for subcommittee meeting will be 4/6/2023 at 1:00pm-2:30pm via Microsoft Teams

**5. Focus Areas**

- a. Economic table to be expanded beyond \$12,000 for combined monthly net income
- b. Which economic table model being used
- c. No rounding up

**6. Tasks and Next Steps**

- a. Gather overview and history of income models being used by Washington and other states to be presented to subcommittee at next meeting on 4/6/23 so this group can determine a definitive scope and focus.

**Meeting Adjourned at 10:13am**