

KBOO Initial Planning Retreat
Friday/Saturday, February 17th & 18th
Summary provided by Lisa Hawash

Participants included board members, staff, and volunteers. 18 people participated in the dialogues across the two day retreat.

We began our time together brainstorming the values present (this includes personal and organizational values). The jamboard (included below) notes all of the ideas shared.

The pre-retreat *Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, & Threats (SWOT)* assessment information gleaned was summarized for participants followed by a brainstorm where notable items were documented to discuss further during our time together. [Slides 2-21]

Decision making

Transparency and collaboration are key elements of decision making. Clarifying key elements and the role of values in relation to strategic planning processes will benefit from transparent communication at the start and throughout the development of the strategic plan process. [Slides 23-25]

What is KBOO?

Is KBOO a hierarchical organization or a collective? Or, is KBOO a hierarchical organization (structurally) that strives for a collaborative and collective 'way' of doing the work together?

- This was brought to the retreat for dialogue due to these questions surfacing in the SWOT assessment dialogues. It is apparent that there is divergent thinking on the structure of KBOO as an organization and this is worthy of continued dialogue, planning, and decision making in the future.

Priorities developed:

Two groups of participants developed a set of priorities to bring forward to the developing strategic planning committee for further discussion. The group who met via zoom developed priorities [slides 29-34] and shared with the large group. The in person group also developed and shared priorities which are noted on slides 36-41.

Key priorities include:

(Fund) Development
History
Technology
Engineering/Tech
Communications

Programming

Infrastructure & Operations
Volunteers
Facilities

Culture &

Membership
Communication

Values brainstorm:



Reality based /
anti-disinformation

Sharing values
with everyone
(multilingual,
etc)

Emotional
maturity

We are
storytellers

Humor

Leadership

Young people
learning to
express
themselves
(youth
collective)

Opportunities (for
local
artists/community)

We value
anti-agism
(elders, youth,
activism)

Be a safe(r)
space for
people/youth
to express
themselves

The power
of audio
(it's
unique)

Anti-propoganda
(taking apart the
story); facts

Accessible
technology

Volunteerism

Creative
commons

Civic
engagement

Process
oriented

Accessibility (a value
of safety &
implementation of
space/safe/safer
spaces)

We welcome
everybody -
strive for
inclusive
ideology

Strive to be a
conduit for
marginalized
voices

Inclusion

Non-judgmental;
support to
understand/educate

Helps the
community mitigate
the multiple
limitations of main
stream media

Integrity, honest,
representative, and
holds power
accountable

An alternative
to mainstream

Authenticity