

**September 8, 2023: Meeting Notes**

**Attendees:** Amy Prezbindowski – MultiCare Behavioral Health; Chelsea Deaconson – UW Autism Center; Dee Bosworth and Sarah Jones – PAVE; Don Ham – JBLM EFMP; Emily Martinez – TPCHD; Jamie Graham – Hope Sparks; Jay – Community Member; Laura O’Rourke & Sarah Loucks – Behavior Bridges; Maria – Autism Society of WA ; Matthew Rickmon – Kinderling & WA Fathers Network; Melia Hughes – Kitsap Parent Coalition/Self Advocate; Noah Lee – Community Member; Patti Matestic – Developmental-Behavioral Family Readiness Ctr. JBLM; Peter Jung – Aspiring Youth/Behavior Bridges/Self Advocate; Vanessa Adams - KMHPC

**Meeting Goals:** To strengthen and coordinate the existing resources through building authentic relationships in the South Puget Sound area that serve our community. To identify and further clarify the unmet needs of our community and help develop resources to meet those needs. To provide comprehensive information regarding needed support for our community throughout the lifespan.

**Guest Speaker/Presentation Information:  
Matthew Rickmon – Kinderling, Director WA State Fathers Network**

This month we were joined by Matthew Rickmon, who comes to us from Kinderling and is also the Director of the Washington State Fathers Network. He shared all about both programs and what he is hoping to achieve in the near future with them.

[Click here to watch recordings of all our guest speakers on our website.](#)

**Community Resource Sharing**

- [Behavior Bridges](#): Lots of fall social opportunities & sibling hangouts. (flyers on SSAP site)
- PAVE: <https://wapave.org/calendar/>
- Square Pegs : <https://www.meetup.com/squarepegs/>
- Peter Jung & Behavior Bridges – D&D Group Waitlist Open! Flyer is on the [SSAP Resource Page](#)
- UW Autism Center: NEW – [Neurodiversity Affirming ABA ECHO](#)
- Kitsap Parents Coalition: Compiled list of [Resources for Autistic Adults in Kitsap County](#)

**Save the Date!**

**Next SSAP Meeting: October 13<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30 – 10:30**

**Our Guest Presenter will be Zack Siddeek from Square Pegs!**