ADDENDUMS

Basic Features of the Equity Lens:

Objective: By utilizing an equity lens, the **WAS** aims to provide a common vocabulary and protocol for resource allocation and evaluating strategic investments.

The following questions will be considered for resource allocation and evaluating strategic investments:

- 1. Who are the racial/ethnic and underserved groups affected? What is the potential impact of the resource allocation and strategic investment to these groups?
- 2. Does the decision being made ignore or worsen existing disparities or produce other unintended consequences? What is the impact on eliminating the opportunity gap?
- 3. How does the investment or resource allocation advance the 40/40/20 goal?
- 4. What are the barriers to more equitable outcomes? (e.g. mandated, political, emotional, financial, programmatic or managerial)
- 5. How have you intentionally involved stakeholders who are also members of the communities affected by the strategic investment or resource allocation? How do you validate your assessment in (1), (2) and (3)?
- 6. How will you modify or enhance your strategies to ensure each learner and communities' individual and cultural needs are met?
- 7. How are you collecting data on race, ethnicity, and native language?
- 8. What is your commitment to P-20 professional learning for equity? What resources are you allocating for training in cultural responsive instruction?

Creating a culture of equity requires monitoring, encouragement, resources, data, and opportunity. OEIB will apply the equity lens to strategic investment proposals reviews, as well as its practices as a board.