

# Race Equity Advisory Council

**Date:** Thursday, April 20, 2023

**Time:** 6-8 p.m.

**Location:** NorthPoint Conference Center

**Council members present:** Paola Ehrmantraut, Susan McPherson, Roberta Reindorf, Raquel Jarabek, April Salchert, Samba Fall, Bill Tipping

**Council members not present:** Yolanda Rogers, Jigar Mistry, Joan Blakey, Olufunso Oresanya, Bocar Kane

**County Staff:** May Xiong, Shawn Sorrell, Vernona Boswell, Alison Weiler

## Notes

Approved current month agenda

**Motion: Raquel**                      **Second: Roberta**  
**All in favor, April meeting agenda is approved**

Approved past month meeting notes

**Motion: Susan**                      **Second: Raquel**  
**All in favor, meeting notes are approved**

Welcome and Introductions

- The group did introductions and each person shared their name, a background item (i.e. hobby, interest), focus, and skills.

Q&A

- What is the deadline for the REAC report?
  - The final report is due in October. Communications is on standby to help proof the report and presentation.
- What recommendations were implemented from past reports?

- All have been implemented by staff while commissioners will highlight specific recommendations and at times raise funds to further support the item(s).

### Committees – History and Opportunities

- Currently there are two formed committees: income and youth mental health.
  - The income committee is already meeting. There have been areas of interest identified.
    - Samba, Bill, and April requested approval from chair to join the income committee. Paola approved.
    - Samba shared an interest to connect immigrant inclusion in this committee.
    - Action item: send a link to the Office of Multicultural Services (OMS) to the group.
  - Youth mental health committee has not yet met and has plans to do so soon.

### Elections

- All officer positions are open for election in May. Anyone is available to be nominated or can self-nominate.
- Each appointee will be given time to share a brief synopsis about themselves and why they would like to assume the role.
- The council will then vote on new officers.

### Basecamp

- All members have access to Basecamp and are welcome to utilize this tool. If there are questions or concerns participants can reach out to Alison.

### May Meeting Location

- Group agreed that they like the NorthPoint Conference Center as a location and moved to a vote.  
**Motion for next meeting at NorthPoint location: Roberta      Second: Samba**  
**All in favor, motion passes**

### Adjourn

**Motion: April    Second: Samba**  
**All in favor, motion passes**