HENNEPIN COUNTY

Race Equity Advisory Council Meeting

Meeting Notes

Date: February 17, 2022 Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Location: Zoom

Council members present: Amani Berry, Christina Luna, Debjyoti Dwivedy Deran Cadotte, Johnathon McClellan, Larry Hiscock, Mahogany Ellis-Crutchfield, Miamon Queeglay, Roberta Reindorf, Sheila Webb, Tekia Jefferson

Council members not present: Bocar Kane, Biftuu Ibrahim Adam, Mukul Nautiyal,

County staff present: Alisa Salweski, May Xiong, Mercy Das, Pat Zagaros, Randy Larson, Robert Gruba, Vinodh Kutty

Visitors: Binta Kanteh; Shawn Sorrell

Meeting was broadcast on Zoom for public viewing.

- 1. February meeting agenda were approved Larry Hiscock moved to approve, Amani Berry Seconded. Ayes: 7, Nays 0, Abstain 0
- 2. January meeting notes were approved Larry Hiscock moved to approve, Tekia Jefferson seconded. Ayes: 9, Nays 0, Abstained 0
- 3. New members Christina Luna and Roberta Reindorf were welcomed.
- 4. After discussion, members decided that the current timeline for the annual report would work best. To allow new members time to contribute, committees sufficient time to research and write, the November timeline works best. All committees' reports should be completed by June to allow leadership time to edit and finalize the report.
 Deran Cadotte moved to keep the current timeline, Larry Hiscock seconded. Ayes: 11; Nays: 0; Abstained 0.
- 5. Memos to the board



- i. Impact of COVID on BIPOC families and recommendations to county for additional support to families, including youth mental health.
 - Concern about the closing of the County Home School, plans for alternatives and repurposing of funds used for County Home School will be a separate memo.

Motion was made to share the final version of the memo on Basecamp for members to review, and for leadership to send the memo to the Commissioners after incorporating any suggestions.

Larry Hiscock moved to approve, Johnathon McClellan seconded.

Ayes: 11; Nays 0, Abstained 0

- ii. Memo regarding the killing of Amir Locke and support for community
 - Request to add description of Operation Safety Net Program; how it failed and impact on community
 - Add reference to rights of black men to exercise their second amendment right to bear arms

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Deran Cadotte moved to approve, Larry Hiscock seconded.

Ayes: 11; Nays 0; Abstained: 0

- 6. Committees worked in small groups
- 7. Adjourned: motion by Deran Cadotte, seconded by Larry Hiscock. Ayes: 9. Nays: 0, Abstained 0