

Community Equity Advisory Board

April 11, 2023
Noon - 1:30 pm
Teams

Attendees: John Agyapong, DanVon'ique Bletson-Reed, Giselle Zapata-Garcia, Van Kuno, Clarence Shaw, Lika Smith, Taniela Tokailagi, Amelia Vakalutukali, Mindy Woods

Absent: Rocio Castillo-Foell, Heather McGuinness (NorthSound ACH), Kurtis Enick

Guests:

District Staff: Nicole Thomsen, Samara Heydon, Pia Sampaga-Khim

Meeting Notes

Minutes

Minutes not available for approval. March minutes to be drafted and available for May meeting.

Discussion - How to best move equity and the CEAB forward in the Health Department.

Nicole, Pia, and Samara summarized the related conversation from March's meeting. Additional conversation was provided about the shifts in authority from District to Department. Members provided the following comments:

- Retain autonomy. (x3)
- If CEAB to merge with the Public Health Advisory Council, there must be equitable voice and voting.
- Allyship comes from all peoples, BIPOC communities do not have a corner on this. It is also true that not all BIPOC persons understand equity.
- There are 'good white people'.
- BIPOC communities need to have a minimum of a seat at the table.
- In the future there should be a goal to have DEI show up throughout department written materials, contracts and the like.
- Would like to have CEAB and the PHAC added to the org chart.

Motion was made to keep CEAB autonomous – Clarence

Seconded by Lika

All voted in favor of motion.

Next Meeting

May 9, noon - 1:30PM via Teams