

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Name of Governmental Body: Governor's Health Equity Council Subcommittee: Structural Funding Inequities		Attending: Members: Andrea Werner, Janel Hines, Guy Reiter, Mandela Barnes, William Parke-Sutherland
Date: 10/27/2021	Time Started: 3:00 PM Time Ended: 4:01 PM	State staff: MayChee Yang, Cassie Frankel, Fred Ludwig Members not attending: David Frazer (excused)
Location: Zoom Video Conference Zoom Link: https://dcfwi.zoom.us/j/86941196445?pwd=VG96cjNpd1drY0xneit1L1dKSHd5dz09 Toll-free audio: +1 301 715 8592 or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 646 518 9805 or +1 669 900 6833 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 346 248 7799 Webinar ID: 869 4119 6445 Passcode: 803434		Presiding Officer: Chair: Gale Johnson Co-Chair: Maria Barker

Minutes

1. Welcome and check-in

2. Review and approve minutes from 10/13/21 meeting

10/13/21 minutes: Janel moved to approve, and Gale seconded the motion. All members in favor; none opposed.

3. Check-in with teams on progress in drafting proposals

Access to Healthcare

- a) *Expansion of Family Planning Only Services (Medicaid Program)* – Maria is in research phase. She met with Planned Parenthood folks to discuss services, reimbursement rates, eligibility, populations this policy impacts, etc. She plans to meet with SMEs soon to learn about what other states are doing. William is also an expert/resource in this area and willing to assist Maria as needed.
- b) *Ensure more immigrants can receive urgent health care by expanding emergency services under BadgerCare* – Gale is in research phase. She plans to meet with DHS Division of Medicaid Services folks tomorrow. William is also an expert/resource in this area and willing to assist Gale as needed.
- c) *Continuous eligibility for children on BadgerCare* – William reminded everyone that drafting this recommendation will remain on hold/not be worked on yet until further notice. Reason why is because this recommendation is included within the federal Build Back Better budget reconciliation bill. Additionally, there will not be a public listening session on this one unless the team moves to draft the recommendation. Team will provide a status update in December.

Economic Security

- a) *Raising the minimum wage* – William's team met today. They plan to use supporting information, documentation, and reports they currently have to draft their recommendation, following the GHEC template.

Team will review draft, provide feedback, and make revisions by 11/8/21. A tentative public listening session is planned for 11/12/21 @ 9 AM.

- b) *Expanding the EITC to include adults without dependent children* – William met with Jon Peacock (Kids Forward) who will be primarily drafting this recommendation. William is hoping he can schedule a public listening session on the same day and time alongside the *Raising the Minimum Wage* session, 11/12/21 @ 9 AM.

Environment Justice

Create an Office of Environmental Justice – Mandela’s team met to discuss additional thoughts/input and key tenets from a health equity perspective so that these may also be included into the recommendation. Mandela’s original proposal from the Governor’s Task Force on Climate Change will serve as a main point of reference.

Planning and preparations for public listening sessions: Members shared thoughts/ideas on how to structure listening sessions.

- Should we have individual sessions specific to each proposal or a combined session together that includes all 5 proposals?
- If scheduling/availability becomes an issue, the subcommittee can consider using a regularly scheduled subcommittee as a listening session.
- William has a tentative date (11/12/21 @ 9AM) for the Economic Security package. Other teams have not set a date(s) yet.
- No decisions made today; members will think about this more.

4. Public Comments/Q & A

None - no one from the public was present today.

5. Decision voting

1st drafts to be completed by 12/8/21: Maria proposed for all team members to work on completing their 1st proposal draft by 12/8/21. The subcommittee will review them together on 12/8/21. All members agreed “yes” to working within this timeframe; none opposed.

6. Review assignments/tasks for next meeting 11/10/21

Team leads:

- Schedule 1-2 public listening sessions and confirm it with MayChee.
- Send PowerPoint slides for public listening session presentation to MayChee.

All members:

Other subcommittees’ public listening sessions are being emailed to the GHEC distribution list and GovDelivery subscribers. As we receive these announcements, share them with our networks so we can get a large part of our communities involved in the listening sessions.

7. Adjourn

Link to recording of 10/27/21 Zoom meeting.

(Please note: The actual meeting began 12 minutes prior to recording. Recording started at #3 agenda item.)

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Prepared by: MayChee Yang on 10/29/2021.

These minutes will be approved by the Governor's Health Equity Council subcommittee Structural Funding Inequity on: 11/10/2021