

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

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| Name of Governmental Body: Governor's Health Equity Council Subcommittee: Investment in Targeted Programs for Under-Resourced Communities | | | Attending: Elizabeth Valitchka, Julie Mitchell, Sandy Brekke, Lilliann Paine, Ellen Sexton, Patricia Metropulos, Vincent Lyles on behalf of Cristy-Garcia Thomas State Staff and Guests: Beth Wikler, Donna Wong |
| Date: 8/31/2021 | Time Started: 10:00 a.m. | Time Ended: 10:45 a.m. | |
| Location: Zoom Video Conference | | | Presiding Officer: Sub-Committee Co-Chair Elizabeth Valitchka |
| Minutes | | | |

- 1) Approve Minutes, August 12 & August 17
 - a) Motion to approve: Sandy
 - b) Second: Patty
 - c) All in favor

- 2) Meeting Agreement
 - a) Speak for yourself – use I statements
 - b) Share airtime. Feel free to write comments too
 - c) Stay away from big sweeping generalizations
 - d) Listen for understanding and not to judge

- 3) Ideas/Survey
 - a) Vincent: What do you need from us specifically?
 - i) Elizabeth: Complete the survey. The survey will inform the process, but the subcommittee will determine which ideas go to the drafting phase. The survey results will be sent to the subcommittees by September 10.

- 4) Process for Choosing Ideas to Go Forward as Major Recommendations
 - a) We can follow our own process. The survey will be a data point, but we can agree or say we feel strongly that an idea needs to go forward.
 - i) One consideration will be the workload. Consider required time to do research, speak to experts, writing, and recommendation refinement
 - b) Ideas for our subcommittee prioritization process?
 - i) Lilliann: Worried about the timeline. It takes a while to build support. Trust and relationship building is very important.
 - ii) Vincent: Yes, trust and relationship building is very important and takes time.
 - iii) Beth: This is such important work, and we don't want to lose anything because we feel rushed. The writing can focus on what is needed and not necessarily every detail. Ideas that aren't major recommendations could still be listed as minor recommendations. Biennial budget drove some of the tight timeline.
 - iv) Sandy: We are the program committee and programs won't impact equity on their own. Doesn't feel comfortable saying yes or no on other people's ideas.

- v) Patty: I'd like more discussion on each proposal. Everyone has a different background, and I don't want to rate other people's ideas when I'm not an expert in their area.
- vi) Beth: Go with your instincts. Each subcommittee will talk through their own ideas more thoroughly.
- vii) Elizabeth: On the 16th in our next subcommittee meeting we will talk about the ideas and how we want to move forward so we don't lose any work or ideas

5) Next Steps:

- a) Evaluation Phase August 26-September 9
 - a. All Council members provide feedback on ideas to inform prioritization (Survey)
 - b. Process
 - i. Survey link and Ideas PDF were emailed to the full Council
 - ii. Responses due September 2
 - iii. Results of survey will be packaged and shared with each subcommittee prior to beginning of the Prioritization phase (September 10)
 - iv. Survey results are one component of the prioritization phase, and subcommittees will have discretion in selecting which proposals to ultimately carry forward into the drafting phase.
- b) Prioritization Phase September 13-September 27
 - i) Split recommendations into major and minor recommendations. Major recommendations will be the centerpiece of the plan
 - ii) Consider required time to do research, speak to experts, writing, and recommendation refinement
- c) Drafting Phase September 28-November 23

6) Public Comment

- a) Bob & Heidi Sheive: Don't use the word target.
 - i) Julie: recommends priority or focus
- b) John Linnell: These meetings are great and the people have really good backgrounds, but where are the patients on the Council?
- c) Cynthia: I can't see the ideas. Are they posted?
 - i) Beth: No. They are not posted yet because they were brainstorming ideas.

7) Next Meeting: Thursday, September 16, 3 p.m.

Prepared by: Donna Wong on 8/31/2021.

These minutes will be approved by the Governor's Health Equity Council subcommittee Investment in Targeted Programs for Under-Resourced Communities on: 9/16/2021