

Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency

Meeting Minutes

12/1/2020

Attendees:

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| X | Elizabeth Meadows | X | Vanita Leatherwood | | Antigone Vickery |
| X | Kashonna Holland | X | Joan Driessen | | Jim Marshall |
| X | Jackie Scott | X | Jennifer Broderick | X | Brad Closs |
| X | Sherry Banks | X | Peter Engel | X | Aisha Masood |
| | Kim Salazar | | Jack Kavanagh | | |
| | Bitia Dayhoff | X | Minah Woo | | |
| | Fran Trout | X | Stan Levi | | |

Staff:

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| X | Rose Burton | X | Megan Godfrey Jackson | X | Cara Baumgartner |
| X | Valerie Mathis | X | Charles Smith | | |

Agenda

Call to Order: 4:04 pm by Elizabeth Meadows

Minutes Approved September minutes were approved

Agenda item: Update on the Nominating Workgroup **Presenting:** Minah Woo & Rose Burton

Nominations for new and reappointed board members will be put forward to the County Executive and County Council. The board should have full membership by January 2021. An additional three new members will be put forward later in January. The workgroup is still trying to recruit members with lived experience using assistance programs.

Agenda item: Community Service Partnership (CSP) Grant Program Redesign Update **Presenting:** Megan Godfrey Jackson

The redesign should be complete by the end of this fiscal year. New framework and structure of grants and eligibility is forming from the work of the CSP design team. Virtual community forums are the next step and should take place sometime in January or February. In March there will be a joint meeting between BPSS and the CSP design team. This will start the warm handoff for BPSS to become the CSP Board.

Agenda item: Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22) CSP Application Process **Presenting:** Megan Godfrey Jackson

FY22 will have a closed application process only for agencies receiving Operating grant funding in FY21. Organizations that are currently funded can apply for up to level funding. Applications will open after the Pre-Application session on December 4th. Information about Plan to End Homelessness (PEH) and Human Service Transportation (HST) grants will be released soon after the session. The One-Time grant process is still being decided and will be based on availability of Pay-Go funds.

Agenda item: BPSS Draft Charter **Presenting:** Rose Burton

The charter will be updated to reflect the new role of BPSS as the board for CSP. The board will serve as a catalyst in the community for system level change. The leadership structure will consist of a chair and co-chair.

There will be three committees: Nominating, Nonprofit Impact and Policy (Community Pulse & Issue Awareness). There will be a minimum of five board meetings a year. We are hoping to have Kim Pruum at the next board meeting to discuss roles and responsibilities of county boards. The final version of the charter should be completed after that meeting.

Agenda item: Community Pulse & Issue Awareness

Presenting: Rose Burton

The group discussed issues that are currently impacting self-sufficiency in Howard County. The eviction and utility moratoriums are scheduled to end January 1st. Modified unemployment benefits are ending in December. What is the County's role in the COVID-19 vaccine roll-out and what are the possibly equity issues. Who are essential workers and how are they defined. How the digital divide effects access to services and education. These discussions ended with how BPSS could possibly help bring attention to these issues.

Meeting Concluded: 5:29 pm

Next Meeting: January 26, 2021 4:00 pm via WebEx