



# Community Involvement Committee

October 27 2020, 5:30-8:00 pm

Virtual Retreat Part 2

Zoom

## MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT

**In Attendance:** Richard Barker, Angel Brophy, Claire Carder, Desiree' Duboise, Malcolm Hoover, Michelle Kosta, Rhiannon Martin, Ilima Nitta, Sachini Weerawardena, Emily Purry, Juanita Santana, Mike Savara, Amanda Squiemphen-Yazzie

**Excused:** Sahar Yarjani Muranovic

**Absent:** Marvin Peña

**Staff:** Dani Bernstein, Olivia Kilgore

**Guest Facilitators:** Daesha Ramachandran & Bonnie Oliva-Porter - Tusk Consulting

**Guest:** Nicole Hubbard

Agenda Item	Action Item
<p><b>Gather, Connect and Share Out</b>            Daesha opened the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves - names, pronouns, access needs and weather report.</p> <p>Daesha reviewed group agreements for the evening.</p> <p>Daesha split everyone into small groups to do an activity about finding common ground:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Round 1: Find the most unique thing your group has in common.</li> <li>● Round 2: Find the most unique thing, while excluding physical traits and places.</li> <li>● Round 3: Find the most unique thing in a category, like high school.</li> </ul> <p>Daesha posed a few questions to the group about their experience interviewing a peer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● How was the experience?</li> <li>● What did you learn about yourself?</li> <li>● What did you learn about the community you are part of?</li> </ul> <p>Daesha shared some emerging themes from the survey:</p>	

<p><i>Communities of focus</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disabled community</li> <li>• Senior community</li> <li>• Immigrant community</li> <li>• Youth community</li> </ul> <p><i>Areas of focus</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addressing systemic and institutional racism</li> <li>• Policing</li> <li>• Community education about County systems and civic engagement</li> <li>• Housing and homelessness</li> <li>• COVID</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Brainstorm</b> Daesha provided everyone with a quick orientation to Mural.</p> <p>The committee was split into two groups to discuss: What topics would be timely, given the challenges facing our communities in 2020 and 2021? She also asked everyone to think about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The lived and learned experience on the committee</li> <li>• What topics feel doable to explore on a shortened time frame this year, and given that COVID is likely to continue to creating hardships and impacting emotional capacity for members in various ways</li> <li>• What topics are grounded in the CIC's purpose to advise the county on community involvement and engagement policies &amp; practices</li> </ul> <p>Before splitting into breakouts, Mike asked about what we meant by this year, since the timeline for the group's work has been thrown off. Olivia said that the group would aim to arrive at recommendations for the chosen topics by May/June 2021.</p> <p>In breakout groups, members were asked to spend five minutes individually brainstorming about potential topics for the committee this year, and then discussed the common themes.</p>	
<p><b>Prioritize</b> As a large group, members shared out the key takeaways and major themes from their breakouts.</p>	
<p><b>Closing &amp; Reflection</b> Daesha asked for reflections on the session.</p>	