

REACH CAC Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Attendees:

Afam Akemelu
Beth Barlow (by phone)
Joan Cabell-Chair
Kevin Klamm
Rehka Patnaik (by phone)

Justin Richter (by phone)
Brenda Sharpe, Ex Officio
Matthew Stuckey
Kerri Wade

Not Present:

Theresa Reyes-Cummings
Patti Miklos-Boyd
Rachel Jefferson

Lougene Marsh
Shelly Phalen

Guests:

Mathew Davis, REACH Staff
Pattie Mansur, REACH Staff

Glory Olson, REACH Staff

After some issues connecting members joining by phone, Chair Joan Cabell called the CAC meeting to order at 5:47 p.m. She welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

Minutes

The minutes of the August 22, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Afam Akemelu noted his attendance by phone at the August 22, 2019 meeting was not noted. Minutes were revised. Matthew Stuckey made a motion to approve the minutes with the amendment and Afam Akemelu seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CAC Business and Responsibilities

Joan Cabell reviewed the Board nominations timeline noting key dates. Brenda Sharpe reviewed the nominations process. She noted 14 people, including three incumbents who are all eligible for a second term, have submitted their statements of interest and applications to the CAC. The CAC agreed that there is an adequate number of applicants and no additional recruiting efforts are necessary.

Brenda Sharpe then reviewed the 2020 Board Matrix and upcoming vacancies. She noted the Board's ongoing desire to have members who are diverse and inclusive of the community we serve in terms of various demographics and backgrounds, and the need to fill the expertise gaps left by vacating board members.

On February 7, 2020, the full CAC will interview each of the candidates at the REACH offices from 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Each interview will be scheduled for approximately 20 minutes with 10 minutes for group discussion immediately following. All applicants will receive the interview questions in advance and the questions will be the same for each candidate.

The CAC will convene again on Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of scoring the candidates to finalize the slate of nominees.

On Friday, February 14, 2020, candidates will be notified of their status in the process, and the REACH CEO will conduct the required background checks on the candidates during the first week of March 2020. A Board of Directors Meet & Greet event will be March 3, 2020. All CAC members are welcome to attend.

At the March 5, 2020 Executive Committee meeting, the committee will review the slate and make their recommendations to the full board. The Board will cast their individual ballots at their regular Board meeting on Thursday, March 26, 2020. Those nominees who receive a super majority (2/3) vote of the Board will be elected. Brenda Sharpe will personally contact all nominees to provide them with the results of the election.

At 5:56 p.m. Kevin Klamm made a motion to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing board nominations for 20 minutes. Kerri Wade seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting returned to open session at 6:17 p.m. Kevin Klamm made a motion to interview incumbent applicants Thomas Handley, Joseph Reuben, and James Sanders as well as Guy Collier, Christen Dusselier, Octavio Estrella, Fabian Gayosso, Kevin Klamm, Jonalan Smith, and Irma Salazar-Robinson. Matthew Stuckey seconded the motion. Motion carried. Brenda Sharpe was asked to contact all candidates about their status in the process.

Next the CAC reviewed the questions for the interviews. By consensus, no other changes or edits were made.

President's Report

Brenda called the CAC's attention to the 2020 REACH Calendar especially the dates related to CAC activities.

She gave a brief overview of REACH's 2020 Kansas Policy Priorities and 2020 Missouri Policy Priorities which are being distributed this week to legislators who represent constituents in the Foundation's service area. She noted that the top priorities include Medicaid expansion, and that earlier this week Kansas Governor Laura Kelly and Senate Majority Leader Denning arrived at a compromise bill on Medicaid expansion for Kansas. She stated this compromise has value and provided an overview of the bill and encouraged all CAC members to consider contacting their respective state representatives and senators to express support for this bill.

Brenda concluded by reporting that REACH staff has moved into the Foundation's new headquarters and are acclimating well and enjoying the space. She invited all CAC members to tour the space after the conclusion of the meeting.

At 6:29 p.m., there being no further business, the meeting adjourned by consensus.

Respectfully submitted,
Glory Olson, Executive Assistant & Board Liaison