# Race Equity Advisory Council

Date: Thursday, February 20, 2025

**Time:** 6-8 p.m.

**Location:** NorthPoint Conference Center

**Council members present:** Ralphe Yehle, Erikka Ryan, Catherine Bouie, Adjoa Kusi-Appiah, Cedric Dildy, Josephine Thao, Raquel Jarabek, Tai Giwa, April Salchert, Bill Tippey

**Council members not present:** Stacey Wells, Tamyka Carr, Ashaki Brown, Kandis York, Angela Cuellar, Samba Fall

County Staff: Shawn Sorrell, and Letty Rogers

### **Notes**

Approved current month agenda

Motion: Bill Second: April All in favor – motion passes

Approved previous month meeting notes

Motion: April Second: Erikka All in favor – motion passes

#### Welcome and introductions

- An introduction of members was given
- Seth Kimpher a spectator was introduced

## Onboarding for new members:

9 new members will be appointed April 1, 2025, they will be introduced by

- Meeting all current members individual or in a group setting
- Provide PowerPoint, mentorship program and discuss committees
- Pair current/ new members for support
- Provide a cheat sheet/ binder of roles and responsibilities

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- A plan for retention and best practices
- Work with commissioners to provide training and team building

## **Annual Report**

• Complete to for commissioners, to ask for a "real time" budget

## **Committee Groups:**

 Discussed how to be successful, key milestones to prepare report and best way to provide support to the council

Juvenile justice

Income

Mental Health & Wellness

#### Information

- Hennepin County Attorney, Mary Moriarty to present at the next meeting.
- Shawn will send a high-level overview of difference between county and state via email
- Provide certificates for exiting members
- Ralph gave an overview of "what it means to show up", meetings he attended throughout the cities to share information and possibly collaborate
- Shawn spoke on

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Motion: Raquel Second: Adoja

All in favor – motion passes