


#CWAC RACIAL EQUITY MEETING MINUTES

Department of Children & Family Services
 CWAC Racial Equity

Date of Meeting:	06/28/2022	Time:	10am – 10:30am
Meeting Facilitator:	Dagené Brown	Location:	WebEx

1. Attendees			
Name(s)			
Dagené Brown	Jere Murry	LourdesRodriguez	Julie Livingston
Christopher Towers	LaTasha Roberson-Guifarro	Chandler Mattison-Farris	Monico Whittington-Eskridge
Claude Robinson	Mari Christopherson	Evelyn Martinez	Ashley Deckert (proxy)
Heather Dorsey	Prestina Singleton	LeVonda Harris	
Jasmine Ferrer	Jose Lopez	James Bracey	

2. Meeting Objective/Agenda
CWAC RE Special Meeting

3. Attachments & Handouts	
Description	Prepared by
 RE Agenda 06282022sp.docx	Dagené Brown

4. Meeting Summary & Minutes
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcome <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Roll call was completed via Dagené and the utilization of the WebEx participant list. b. Unanimous approval of minutes for October 2021, January 2022, and March 2022, was achieved after reaching quorum. The motion to approve the identified minutes was made by Dagené. Motion moved by LaTasha; motion seconded by Prestina. 2. Business Items (Vote) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Charter FY23 Goals <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) After lengthy discussion, CWAC RE members identified preferred FY23 goals. The motion to approve FY23 goals was made by Dagené. Motion moved by LaTasha; motion seconded by Prestina. Motion carried with all

committee members in favour with no objections. The goals elected were as follows: (1) a public Implicit Bias Educational campaign, "Informing Our Practice by Race" targeting stakeholders (front-line staff, supervisors, management, DCFS, POS, courts, law enforcement, educators, foster parents, advocates, etc.) to educate and promote action toward racial equity in the Illinois Child Welfare Practice/System, (2) develop an Anti-Racism and Equity agency assessment, and (3) development of the Race Equity Toolkit and Guide.

- b. Charter Bylaw/Rules of Procedure
 - 1) After review and discussion, the Rules of Procedure were approved by unanimous vote. The motion to approve the CWAC RE Rules of Procedure was made by Dagené. Motion moved by Heather; motion seconded by LaTasha. Motion carried with all committee members in favour with no objections.
 - 2) Dagené shared her continued appreciation of member participation as well as reinvigorated continued participation from the committee moving forward.
- c. FY23 Tentative Scheduled RE Meeting Dates
 - 1) Lourdes generated the conversation to alter the meeting day of the week from Tuesday to Wednesday. Dagené moved the motion to alter the tentative scheduled RE meeting dates for FY23. Motion moved by LaTasha; motion seconded by Prestina. All CWAC RE members in attendance were in agreement with no objections. The CWAC RE meeting date was altered from its original date of the fourth Tuesday of every other month, to the newly agreed upon, fourth Wednesday of every other month.
- 3. Public Comments
 - a. There were no public comments for the record.
- 4. Adjournment
 - a. Adjournment and appreciation were provided by Dagené.

5. Action Items			
Item	Owner	Deadline	Follow Up
Distribute finalized FY23 CWAC RE business items to committee members.	LeVonda Harris	Next meeting	NA

6. Next Meeting (if applicable)					
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