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## LGBTQ+ and People of Color Committee Thursday, May 27, 2021

2 **P.M. to** 3 **P.M.** 

### **Butte County Employment and Social Services – Virtual Meeting Via Zoom**

**Zoom Link:** +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Marin Hambley (they/them), Carolina Cruz (she/her), Javi Pinedo (they/them), Elisa Rawlinson (she/her), Shaveta Hall (she/her) present for Bobby Jones

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:** Emily Bateman,

Dawn Blackhorse, Ann Winters, Siana Sonoquie Mark Alvidrez Rachel Sanchez (she/her), Jen Small (she/her), Pahua Thao (she/her) Chang Vang Chue Yang Seng Yeng (he/him) and Melody Proebstel (she/her)

#### **OTHER ATTENDEES:**

**RECORDING:** None available.

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Marin Hambley at 2pm, who facilitated the meeting.
- 2. **INTRODUCTIONS:** All Members in attendance introduced themselves.
- 3. HUD Emergency Voucher Program Discussion

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- 4. Discussing Survey to evaluate current experiences
  - a. Demographics questions:
    - i. Do you or have you held a position (paid or volunteer) at a participating agency of the Butte County Continuum of Care? \*skip logic question, survey ends if "no"
    - ii. How long have you worked within COC participating agencies?
    - iii. How many COC agencies have you worked with?
    - iv. Do you identify within the LGBTQ+ community?
    - v. Do you identify within the Transgender, Gender Non-conforming, and/or Non-binary community?
    - vi. Do you identify as a Person of Color?
  - b. Has your agency taken steps you know of to be more inclusive of LGBTQ+ folks and people of color?
  - c. What is your comfort discussing race in your workplace?
  - d. What is your comfort discussing gender in your workplace?
  - e. Have you experienced harassment or discrimination based on your race, gender, or sexuality from your coworkers or colleagues?
    - i. If yes, did you feel comfortable reporting?
    - ii. What happened? Was it addressed? How was it addressed? What follow up did you see?
  - f. Have you heard racist/transphobic/homophobic comments about you in your workplace either from colleagues or clients?
    - i. Did you say something?
    - ii. How was that received?
    - iii. Did you feel comfortable reporting?
  - g. Have you heard racist/transphobic/homophobic comments in your workplace either from colleagues or clients towards others?
    - i. Did you say something?
    - ii. How was that received?
    - iii. Did you feel comfortable reporting?
  - h. Have you experienced harassment or discrimination based on your race, gender, or sexuality from your clients or the people your agency is serving? Have you experienced a client being resistive to services because of your race?
    - i. If yes, did you report it?
    - ii. Did you feel comfortable reporting?
    - iii. What happened? Was it addressed? How was it addressed? What follow up did you see?
  - i. Have you experienced a client being resistive to services because of your gender?
  - j. Have you experienced a client being resistive to services because of your sexuality?
  - k. Have you had to change positions or leave a position due to factors of discrimination/harassment based on your race, gender, and/or sexuality?

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- 1. Have you been fired, denied a promotion, or demoted due to factors of discrimination/harassment based on your race, gender, and/or sexuality?
- m. Are you aware of and understand the procedures for reporting incidents of discrimination/bias at my workplace?
- n. Does this policy include follow-up actions?
- o. How does this policy get evaluated?
- p. Do you have faith in this policy? Has it worked?
- q. Have you seen this policy be effective? Have you utilized this reporting procedure before?
- r. Does your workplace offer and/or require LGBTQ+ cultural competency training?
- s. Does your workplace offer and/or require anti-racism training?
- t. Do you or have you felt tokenized at your workplace? Have you ever felt like others at your workplace have considered you a token representative of your identity?
  - i. define token
- u. Have you ever observed different treatment, or different policy enforcement, towards clients of a certain race, gender, or sexuality who are participating in your agency's services?
- v. Have you ever observed someone be disqualified or exited from services where their race, gender, and/or sexuality may have played a role in that decision?
- w. Open-ended question at the end
- **5.** How do we get the survey out? (ESG funding)
  - a. Make an agenda item?
- **6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:** 
  - a. Juneteenth is being hosted by African American Family & Cultural Center on Saturday June 19th in Oroville
  - b. Stonewall Alliance is hosting Chico Pride with events throughout the month of June. Check their website for details: www.stonewallchico.com/pride-events
- 7. NEXT MEETING: The next Meeting will be on June 24, 2021 at 2pm
- **8. ADJOURNMENT:** Marin Hambley
- **9.** The meeting was adjourned at 3 P.M.