# **Spokane Regional Law and Justice Council Subcommittee Meeting Minutes**

Subcommittee Name: Racial Equity

Chair: Carmen Pacheco-Jones Vice-Chair: Francis Adewale

**Meeting Date**: 02/01/2018 **Meeting Location:** The Gathering House

**Start Time:** 11:30 p.m. **Adjourn Time:** 1:30 pm

Member Attendance x = present			
Name		Email	Organization
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Kurtis Robinson	$\boxtimes$	KurtisRobinson@live.com	NAACP/SJ/IDTT
Other Attendees:			
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Nicole Jenkins-Rosenkrantz – for Bonnie		Nrosenkrantz@spokanecounty.org	Juvenile Court
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Anne Martin		anne@spokaneprogress.org	Greater Spokane Progress
Sandy Williams		sandy@blacklensnews.com	Black lens/CAAA

#### Agenda:

- 1) Welcome / Introductions
- 2) Approve Jan 4, 2018 minutes
- 3) Burns Institute update (Khalid will be here)
- 4) Feedback on Implicit Bias Training
- 5) Updates:
  - a. Training
  - b. Charter work

- c. Pathways (Re-entry Hub)
- 6) Community Engagement Meeting plan
- 7) Advertising RE Subcommittee's community meetings
- 8) Mission Statement review
- 9) Facebook page for RED subcommittee?
- 10) Adjourn

**Motion**: to approve Jan 4, 2018 minutes with the below ammendments/additions:

- Request made to have the project manager of the MHCSF come to next RE meeting to update us on the progress of this project and racial equity lens.
- Request made to add a member of this subcommittee be added to the MacArthur Core team. Motion made by Francis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kurtis. Motion carried.

**Motion:** To request MacArthur foundation to include a member of Racial Equity Subcommittee on core team for the duration of the MacArthur grant as well as clarification from them on exclusionary practice on core teams? Motion carried.

**Motion:** To request Carmen to present to the SRLJC matters concerning the Racial Equity Subcommittee at next SRLJC Meeting. Motion made by Mubarak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kurtis. Motion Carried.

Khalid followed up on questions he'd gotten previously regarding the data the Burns Institute used referenced on the SRLJC RE subcommittee website. Verified with County IT that the data collected was

correctly reported in the study. Also reviewed posible strategies that this subcommittee can discuss and decide to take action on. Wants to be able to provide up to date data to this group on a regular basis (hopefully monthly reports).

Implicit Bias training feedback:

- Will there be a post training survey?
- Would have liked to have opportunity to ask questions
- Anne suggested that this subcommittee or training group, might meet to go over 'lessons learned'.

### Community meeting in March:

- How to promote
- Press release
- Meeting goals
- Ground rules set at beginning
- What is the SRLJC? What is the MacArthur grant?
- Who are we?
- What have we been doing?
- Where are we headed?
- Strategies:
  - o Jury education:
  - Training
  - o Toolkit
  - Community engagement
  - Data response
- Moderator/facilitator?
  - o Discussion on having someone other that subcommittee members facilitate the meeting
  - o Can we pay this person? Is there \$\$ available to pay a facilitator?
  - O Question raised on whether there was money budgeted in the MacArthur grant for commuity engagement. (Possibly \$300 + for each meeting)
- Have someone take notes
- Have a question prepared that you want answered by the attendees
  - Suggestions:
  - o "How do we address structural racismin the local Criminal Justice system?"
  - o "How can racial equity be improved in the local Criminal Justice system?"
- Suggest that a phone conference call be scheduled to prep. for community engagement meeting.

**Motion:** Move to have Francis and Carmen meet with presiding Judges regarding jury video. Motion by Francis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mubarak. Motion carried.

#### **Action Items:**

- ➤ Karen ask about \$\$ available for community engagement
- Ask Dr. van Wormer if she could find 2 students to attend the March meeting for note taking. Karen will contact Jacquie.
- > Schedule phone conference call for community meeting planning (including Khalid). Karen

## **Training Updates:**

GARE toolkit training, targeted for county/city managers and policy makers, being scheduled for April 2018 – not yet confirmed.

Ada – Train the Trainer (Implicit Bias) – May or June 2018

**Next Meeting:** Thursday 3/1/18 – 6 to 8 p.m. – Morning Star Baptist Church 3909 W. Rowan Ave. Spokane, WA 99205

Scribe: Karen Westberg