

Equity Committee – Agenda – 8/16

6:00 – Ice Breaker – What’s your favorite summer fruit, vegetable or berry?

6:10 – Land Acknowledgement

6:12 – Review and approve or revise this agenda

6:14 - Approve or revise notes from 7-19 meeting

Outreach Initiative

6:20 - Data Input tutorial - James

6:50 – Volunteer request – 7PM, Sept 21 Candidate Forum – Jessica and Jenna

7:05 - Discussion: Meetings with V -MCC Board members

7:25 – Call for priority topics for our next meeting

7:30 – Adjourn

Final

August 16, 2023 VMCC Equity Committee Meeting Notes

Present: Jessica A., Milla, Yvonne, Terry, James, Jenna, Kevin, Jessica L.

The meeting convened at 6:12 pm with Ice Breaker.

The land acknowledgement was read by Kevin.

Approve/revise notes from 7/19/23:

Approved without objection and ready to be published on the VMCC website.

Approve/revise tonight's agenda: Approved

Actions from last meeting:

- James gave us a data input tutorial.

Jenna/Jenna

V-MCC is requesting volunteers for the Local (including King County Council) Candidate Forum Sept. 21, 7pm. Reach out to Jessica Anakar if you have ideas for making sure there is equity and inclusion. For example, JA would like to see more low-income mothers engaged. Jenna suggested those of us who have interviewed islanders could invite those folks. Milla agreed to reach out to Tanya who is doing advocacy for homeless and low-income folks.

Meetings with V-MCC Board members

The Board is at 5 members currently. The goal is 12. More members are being sought.

As far as the Equity Committee is concerned, building relationships with the Board is crucial. Suggested ways to make connections with the Board:

- one-on-one coffees
- show up in person to Council meetings and stay after to chat
- potluck

Showing up at the Community Dinners at the Presbyterian Church is a way to build relationships with those living in more fragile situations and they might appreciate connecting with new people. There were various suggestions as to how we should show up, a few at a time, all of us, have a pizza party, etc.

Suggested topics for next meeting

- Gare Toolkit - Kathleen & Terry
- Discuss Candidate Forum happening the day after our committee meeting.

Carry over topics for next meeting:

- "Ouch," "Roses and Thorns" and "Don't yuck my yum" (Kevin)

Next meeting date: Sept 20, 2023

Meeting adjourned: 7:36 pm