

# Equity Committee Meeting

Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

5:30-7:00PM, Seal Hi-Rise (825 Seal Street)

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## Attending

Melissa Pappas, Melissa Williams, Heather Humbert, Scott Simmons, Kathryn Murray

## Minutes/Agenda (5:30-5:40)

- Grant opportunity
- Equity Framework
- Updates and Announcements

## Grant opportunity (5:40-6:10)

BCBS Catalyst Fund, Center for Prevention grant opportunity (focused on advancing health equity). Kathryn is having coffee with Owen Duckworth (associate director of The Alliance) and will talk about applicability. We really need to form a coalition of partners first, much like the Eastside Health and Wellness Coalition, before attempting to move forward with the SAP Box concept. Deadline is April 12<sup>th</sup> (at 1PM). There is a scoring rubric used for grant review. We would need detailed demographics; Scott can access and will provide this information (based on prior census data). While much of it would be written, we still need to compile and edit for the specific RFP. Possible award: \$5,000-30,000. So this would be for information gathering/public input, recruiting partners, developing a business plan, pay for any estimates on procedural elements of SAP Box, and so on.

Kathryn will post the RFP and associated materials tonight (Monday, 4/1); Melissa will work on filling in the writing gaps and send out a rough draft on Friday for committee review.

## Equity Framework (6:10-6:35)

We took a detailed look at the Equity Framework and made revisions. We'll finalize it for both the grant application and for board approval in April.

## Updates and Announcements (6:35-6:45)

- The Council utilized the buckthorn removal grant (first phase) last week. They found two homeless encampments. Steven Yetter reached out to House of Hope to connecting with the encampments. The folks in the encampment will receive forewarning about the clean-up coming through and offers for assistance from People Incorporate Street Outreach Program.
- Craig Freeman, Beacon Interface, offered a tour of Prior Crossing (developed by Common Bond, who is managing Luther Seminary) for Equity and Land Use. Kathryn will send out a poll to set up a time for the committee to do the tour.
- Kathryn is starting interviews for a new Community Organizer next week!