



CRP-OCS Monthly Meeting
March 21, 2023 – 12 PM to 1 PM
Via Zoom

MEETING NOTES

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

CRP:

Cameron Adams, Chair
Lucinda Alexie, Vice-Chair
Retchenda George-Bettisworth
Trevor Storrs
Kim Saunders

OCS:

Kim Guay, Director
Travis Erickson, Division Operations Manager

Ombudsman Office:

Denise Duff

Coordinator Staff:

Tricia Minnick, CRP Coordinator
Elysa Smith

- Call to order; read rules and conduct of the meeting (Chair)
 - The meeting was called to order at 12:02 pm.
- Roll Call (Chair)
 - As above
- Meeting Minutes
 - **Trevor made a motion to approve the February 2023 CRP-OCS Monthly Meeting Minutes; Retchenda seconded. No discussion.**
 - **February 2023 CRP-OCS Monthly Meeting Minutes have been approved.**
- Round Table Reports
 - A discussion was held around the content of the round table report drafts. Trevor raised a concern that the language in the “Opportunities for Improvement” section of the Executive Summary draft is not strong enough or specific enough.

Cameron reminded the group that specific recommendations will be developed for the Annual Report during May's Annual Meeting. If the Panel would like to provide specific recommendations for inclusion in the Executive Summary, they would need to come together as a group to work on those recommendations.

- Director Guay shared that it's helpful to also hear positive feedback about OCS in the reports; she suggests including that feedback as well if it was heard in the round table discussions. A discussion was held around sharing the positive feedback that was heard while also remaining true to the challenges that were shared by round table participants.
- Director Guay offered to read the round table report drafts before they are finalized so that she can provide any necessary feedback around the agency language and policies and procedures at OCS. The Panel agreed to send the drafts to Director Guay and Travis Erickson for review.
- The Panel agreed to discuss the development of specific recommendations for inclusion in the Executive Summary during the Annual Meeting. The Round Table Executive Summary will be shared as an accompanying document to the Annual Report with a June 30th email distribution; a link to the 5 round table reports will be included in that email.
- Outstanding Work Plan Task Review
 - Public Outreach
 - Q3 has an outstanding work plan task related to engaging with community stakeholders. Each Panel member was tasked with creating a list of 5 stakeholders in their region and then connecting with them. Cameron is working on the Southeast region list as there is no current Panel member representation there; she plans on completing this task in the next week. She encouraged Panel members to share an update on their progress on this task via email.
 - Reciprocal Engagement
 - There is an outstanding work plan task from Q1 related to connecting with the Child Welfare Academy to increase awareness of the CRP. Retchenda will reach out to the Academy and will report back to the Panel.
 - Membership Recruitment
 - The Panel received a membership application; it was shared with members via email in advance of the meeting. **Trevor motioned to move to Executive Session for discussion. Kim Saunders seconded. The Panel moved to Executive Session.**
 - Executive Session from 12:41 pm to 12:50 pm
 - CRP Policies and Procedures state that a membership application needs the support of three Panel members in order to advance it to the interview phase of the process. There was no motion to advance the application.

- CRP Calendar
 - Annual Meeting
 - May 18th and 19th are confirmed as the dates for the Annual Meeting; May 19th will be a half day. It will be held in a hybrid format with in-person attendees meeting in Anchorage and virtual attendees joining via Zoom. The Panel intends to spend the first-morning meeting with OCS leadership and legislators. The remaining time will be spent developing the Annual Report, finalizing the round table reports, and electing new leadership.
 - May CRP-OCS Monthly Meeting
 - This meeting is currently scheduled for Tuesday, May 16th. The Panel agreed to cancel the May CRP-OCS Monthly Meeting since it would fall during the same week as the Annual Meeting.
 - June CRP-OCS Monthly Meeting
 - A discussion was held about whether or not a meeting needed to be held in June. The Panel decided to cancel the June CRP-OCS Monthly Meeting; they will provide approval for the Annual Report via email.
- Other Panel Business/Questions
 - Leadership Transition
 - This is Cameron’s last meeting as Chair. She is taking a leave of absence from the Panel. She will return to the Panel in May as a regular member. Retchenda will now be the Acting Chair through the end of this FY. A new Chair will be elected during the Annual Meeting for a start date of July 1, 2023.
- Public Comment**
 - There was no public comment.
- Adjourn (Chair)
 - Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.

**Public testimony occurs at the end of the agenda; however, agenda topics do not have specified times. We encourage members of the public to listen to the entire meeting to hear the discussions of the CRP members.