

# **Ethnic and Social Equity Standards Advisory Working Group**

Meeting conducted via teleconference

September 22, 2021

<u>Present:</u> Amanda Garces, Asma Elhuni, Celilo Bauman-Swain, Chelsea Myers, Cynthia Reyes, Heather Lynn, Infinite Culcleasure, Julie Hansen, Mara Iverson, Mark Hage, Max Barrows, Mia Schultz, Michael Martin, Mike McRaith, Natasha Eckart, Vera Sheehan, Xusana Davis

Absent: Heather Bouchey, Barbra Marden

## Members of the public:

Alyssa Chen, Ben Morley, Debora Steinerman, Deborah Lisi-Baker, Emily Simmons, Erin Adams, Jay Nichols, Jessica Meller, Laura Smith, Lee Reilly, Ornella Matta-Figueroa, Sandra Cameron, Sarah T, Sue Ceglowski, Susan Aranoff, V Pearson, Yoram Samets

## Call to Order/Amendments to Agenda/Introductions

The meeting convened at 5:05

#### **Review and Approve Minutes**

Correction to the 8/19 meeting notes – Motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded then voted by all.

#### Opportunity for Public to be Heard-

V Pearson and Jay Nichols provided public comment noting the importance of this work.

Agenda item 1: Education Quality Standards (EQS) Review, Questions, and Timeline Mark and Amanda walked through the current process for the review of the Education Quality Standards document. People in the field has received an invitation to review the EQS. The deadline to submit the review is 9/30/2021

Heather Lynn made a request that working group members be given the opportunity to go over the revisions with the EQS subcommittee. The invitation will be extended to all working group members wanting the same opportunity.

Agenda item 2: Agency of Education Open Meeting Law Training Emily Simmons, general counsel for the Vermont Agency of Education held an Open Meeting law Training.



Agenda item 3: Housekeeping and Next steps
The Education Justice Coalition will be hiring an Act. 1 organizer to support with outreach
Applications for the working group are open.
Reminded everyone to send their stipend form

Meeting adjourned at 2:18 PM



