



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE MEETING OF
THE OFFICE OF PREVENTION SERVICES TASK FORCE**

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2022

**9:00 AM to 11:30 AM
VIRTUAL MEETING**

Below is the link to the full meeting recording, which includes a transcript:

[Meeting Recording](#)

I. OPENING AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. The meeting was called to order by Dr. D'Artagnan Scorza, Executive Director of Racial Equity, at 9:03 AM.

Attachment(s): **[Meeting Slides](#)**

2. Mark Lee, Senior Analyst, Chief Executive Office - Anti-Racism, Diversity, and Inclusion Initiative, provided instructional information and disclosures to attendees.
3. Chair Scorza shared a land acknowledgment to acknowledge the ancestral land and peoples of Los Angeles County. He also provided a welcome and opening remarks.
4. Mark Lee conducted roll call.

Present: Gina Eachus (as an alternate for Songhai Armstead), Carlos Benavides, Meredith Berkson, Yahnii Bridges, Frank Reyes (as an alternate for Jackie Contreras), Alicia L. Garoupa, Christina Ghaly, Tamara Hunter, Kelly LoBianco, Tracie Mann, Minsun Meeker, Carrie Miller, Angela Parks-Pyles, D'Artagnan Scorza, Fran Sereseres, Kanchana Tate, Cheri Todoroff, Solomon Shibeshi (as an alternate for Laura Trejo), John Wagner

Absent: Erica Reynoso, Barbara Ferrer, Tyrone Howard

(Special Note: Some members or alternates arrived late and/or left the meeting early, thus some votes may reflect absences. A quorum was present at all times.)

5. Public Comment Period for Specific Agenda Items
Public Comment: LaRae Cantley
6. Review and action on the Draft Minutes of the Prevention Services Task Force Regular Meeting of July 15, 2022.

Attachment(s): [July 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)

Member Meeker moved for the task force to approve the minutes. Member Garoupa seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by the following vote:

Yes: 15 – Gina Eachus (as an alternate for Songhai Armstead), Meredith Berkson, Frank Reyes (as an alternate for Jackie Contreras), Alicia L. Garoupa, Christina Ghaly, Tamara Hunter, Kelly LoBianco, Tracie Mann, Minsun Meeker, Carrie Miller, Angela Parks-Pyles, D’Artagnan Scorza, Kanchana Tate, Cheri Todoroff, John Wagner

No: 0

Abstain: 4 – Carlos Benavides, Yahnii Bridges, Fran Sereseres, Solomon Shibeshi (as an alternate for Laura Trejo)

Absent: 3 – Erica Reynoso, Barbara Ferrer, Tyrone Howard

II. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION

7. Introductions from all members to welcome Community Members with Lived Expertise appointed on the Task Force; overview of Community Members with Lived Expertise appointed on the three subject area tables; consideration of necessary actions.

Attachment(s): [Official Members List](#)

Chair Scorza presented proposed revisions to the Task Force Charter to explicitly reflect the inclusion of Community Members with Lived Expertise on the Task Force and its three subsidiary subject area tables. Members Parks-Pyles and Tate suggested minor wording adjustments which were applied in the live, screenshared document. Member Wagner moved for the task force to accept these revisions to the Charter. Member Todoroff seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Yes: 20 – Gina Eachus (as an alternate for Songhai Armstead), Carlos Benavides, Meredith Berkson, Yahnii Bridges, Frank Reyes (as an alternate for Jackie Contreras), Alicia L. Garoupa, Christina Ghaly, Tyrone Howard, Tamara Hunter, Kelly LoBianco, Tracie Mann, Minsun Meeker, Carrie Miller, Angela Parks-Pyles, D’Artagnan Scorza, Fran Sereseres, Kanchana Tate, Cheri Todoroff, Solomon Shibeshi (as an alternate for Laura Trejo), John Wagner

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 – Erica Reynoso, Barbara Ferrer

Attachment(s): [Revised Charter, v. 8/19/22](#)

8. Nomination and election of the remaining co-chair of the Prevention Alignment Framework Table of the Prevention Services Task Force.

Member Mann moved for the task force to officially elect Angela Parks-Pyles as co-chair for the Framework table. Member Berkson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Yes: 19 – Gina Eachus (as an alternate for Songhai Armstead), Carlos Benavides, Meredith Berkson, Frank Reyes (as an alternate for Jackie Contreras), Alicia L. Garoupa, Christina Ghaly, Tyrone Howard, Tamara Hunter, Kelly LoBianco, Tracie Mann, Minsun Meeker, Carrie Miller, Angela Parks-Pyles, D'Artagnan Scorza, Fran Sereseres, Kanchana Tate, Cheri Todoroff, Solomon Shibeshi (as an alternate for Laura Trejo), John Wagner

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 2 – Yahniie Bridges, Erica Reynoso, Barbara Ferrer

9. Chair Scorza provided an overview of Task Force and subject area table interdependencies, including current overall progress and intermediate steps to achieving Board deliverables. He also elevated and asked attendees to share the Task Force's ongoing [Community Survey](#) and the Task Force [Website](#).
10. The co-chairs for each of the three subject area tables provided a report out and updates on actions taken across the tables. (Additional details can be found in the [Meeting Slides](#) used during this section.)

For the Framework table, co-chairs Meredith Berkson and Angela Parks-Pyles provided an overview of the table's adopted guiding principles, which were developed through a collaborative process at the table. They also provided an overview of ongoing discussions and considerations regarding the Countywide prevention/promotion systems model (i.e., prevention tiers and definitions), for which the table is also slated to provide recommendations. Member Wagner affirmed the report out from the co-chairs and the work coming out of the Framework table.

For the Disproportionality table, co-chairs Tamara Hunter and Irene Vidyanti provided an overview of the table's adopted North Star Life Course Outcomes. They were joined by consultant to the Task Force Arnold Chandler, President of Forward Change Consulting, who has thus far assisted in facilitating the Disproportionality table's efforts toward developing recommendations for Guiding Prevention Metrics. Multiple members provided feedback and suggested revisions to the outcomes chosen. Member Benavides urged the table to consider and acknowledge people with disabilities and how

their experiences may or may not be reflected in the outcomes chosen. Member Tate uplifted peri-natal care and the importance of that in earlier age groups. Alternate Member Shibeshi raised further adding outcomes at later ages in the life span. Member Berkson affirmed the inclusion of stable and affordable housing. Member LoBianco suggested that the table be explicit that “completion of postsecondary credential” be skills-based, rather than reinforcing unnecessary credentials to good-paying jobs. Arnold Chandler and the co-chairs provided clarifying answers to these questions, and indicated that this feedback would be brought back to the Disproportionality table for review.

For the Coordination table, co-chair Minsun Meeker provided an overview of the table’s current efforts to identify and provide recommendations for operational barriers to coordinated prevention service delivery. Co-chair Meeker shared the interactive jamboards that the Coordination table created together at the last table meeting, including highlighting common challenges raised by table members, including data integration/sharing, user journey challenges, and language access. Table co-chair Meeker and Member Parks-Pyles (co-chair of the Framework table) noted the interdependencies inherent in this work, as many of the identified barriers could be addressed by the Framework table’s proposed recommendations regarding the Countywide governance structure for prevention services.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND CLOSING

11. General Public Comments to Address Task Force-Related Subject Matters
Public Comment: None
Written Correspondence: [Attached](#)

12. The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 A.M.

The full upcoming schedule can be found on the task force website at:
<https://ceo.lacounty.gov/ardi/prevention-taskforce/>