

## Notes from September 28, 2015 BACH Steering Committee Meeting

### **Start-up**

- Attendees: David Price, Damon Chaplin, Val Frias, Vivien Morris, Kay Walsh, Tamika Francis, John Riordan, Magnolia Contreras, Jamiah Tappin, Phillip Gonzalez, Elmer Freeman

### **Minutes Review**

- Approved by all with no edits

### **Annual Meeting and Awards Program**

- Val pointed out some logistics of the meeting (date, time, location) and discussed the award - that we need Steering Committee members to nominate people in their community.
- The group seemed supportive of the award and discussed nominees

### **SC Nominations**

- Phillip discussed making an amendment to the by-laws to end term limits, as it will begin to impact some of the current members
- The group discussed our efforts around engaging new people/organizations on the SC, maintaining the history of BACH, engaging more immigrants, pipelines for leadership, and the barriers to some of these points
- Philip reminded the group that members can still lose their seats by not being re-elected
- Jamiah brought up the difference between elected and appointed seats and how that impacts the diversity on the committee
- The group voted to amend the by-law

### **Let's Get Healthy Boston!**

- Tamika gave an update on the initiative and recapped the kick-off event, which was well attended by HCC's, BACH members and community residents. She also discussed the end of the fiscal year and sustaining engagement of HCC's after the summer training.

### **Racial Justice Committee**

- David and Jamiah distributed drafts of the scholarship and technical assistance guidelines. There was discussion around the annual budget and allocation of funds
- Damon mentioned allocating a percentage of the money to residents and cbo's, as well as setting a target number of residents to engage
- Tamika suggested raising the stipend amount, which after some debate, the group agreed to do this (half day, \$25 to \$35/full day, \$50 to \$70).
- Since this is the first time we are doing this, the group stressed the important of measuring our outreach and participation. Jamiah encouraged that the final draft be distributed to all our networks.

### **Future meeting times**

- Jamiah presented the meeting dates for 2016 and asked members to volunteer to host in their community
- Magnolia, David P, Cynthia, and Kay volunteered for a few dates and Jamiah will follow up with them later in the week, as well as find volunteers for other dates

### **Meeting evaluation**

- Distributed and completed by attendees