



Members/ Designees: Co-Chair Claudia D’Allegri, Co-Chair Judge Ketu Shah, Councilmember Brenda Fincher, Mayor Lynne Robinson, Jeff Sakuma, Karen Brady, Mario Paredes, Laura Smith, Brad Finegood designee for Patty Hayes, Trenechia Wilson, Victor Loo, Fartun Mohamed, Kailey Fiedler-Gohlke, Leesa Manion designee for Dan Satterberg, Tara Urs designee for Anita Khandelwal, Christina Mason designee for Barbara Miner, Darcy Jaffe, Lea Ennis

Other Attendees: Councilmember Gary Harris, Suamhirs Piraino-Guzman, Robin Pfohman, Kimberly Cisson, Chelsea Walch, Sam Porter, Scott Miller, Sherry McCabe, Susan Shoeld, Kelli Nomura, Lisa Floyd, Halima Lozano, Isabel Jones, Nicholas Makhani, Peggy Papsdorf, Kapena Pflum, Lane Covington, Deborah Stake, Denise Hawthorne, Steve Andryszewski, Alex O’Reilly, Barbie Young, Alexis Mercedes-Rinck, Madeline Cavazos, Dave Murphy, Amy Decker, Anthony Austin, Barbara Tengtio

Notes by: Chelsea Walch

Issues	Discussion	Action Items:
Welcome	Co-Chair Judge Ketu Shah began the meeting by greeting everyone and briefly acknowledging the Duwamish Tribe and the traditional land that King County is on. Co-Chair Judge Shah provided an overview of how to use Zoom features and meeting logistics for members and other participants.	
Member/Staff Announcements	Mario Paredes made an announcement that the Consejo Counseling and Referral Service is now accredited by the Joint Commission. Claudia D’Allegri announced that they are opening a new psychiatric facility in South Park, serving people 50 and older. There will be two phases: the first will be 16 beds and clients can stay for up to 30 days or 60 days; the second phase will open in around 3 months, have 22 beds and clients can stay for up to 6 months.	
Equity Grounding Moment	Claudia D’Allegri introduced the equity grounding moment, reminding everyone that this is the time where a couple members from different groups can share any recent experience where equity was at the forefront within their organization or community. City council member Brenda Fincher shared her response to the events of January 6 in Washington D.C., and discussed the imbalanced equity shown at that event and demonstrated in the images, words, and actions of that day.	
Review/Approve Meeting Notes	The December meeting notes were approved by consensus.	
Public Comment	Co-Chair Judge Shah invited anyone who was interested to sign up in the chat box. There was no request for public comment.	
MIDD Financial Report	Steve Andryszewski provided a brief overview of the financial plan as of November 30. He advised that staff is working diligently to process all MIDD-related 2020 invoices to ensure that the numbers presented at the	

	<p>next meeting represent a complete picture of 2019-2020 biennium. As such, Steve pointed out that some of the numbers reflected on the current report do not reflect the final numbers for 2019-2020. Depending on the revenue stream that comes in and the amount of invoices processed through December, they will have solid numbers to report at next month's MIDD AC meeting.</p> <p>Co-Chair Judge Ketu Shah asked if the numbers will be finalized and based on all of the booked revenue at next month's meeting. Steve answered that while they are still working on processing straggling invoices dated through December 2020, 99.9% of expenditures will be in by that time and the numbers presented at the next meeting will be considered final.</p> <p>Steve notes that the current report reflects a \$700,000 reserve shortfall and that they don't expect it to end up much different than what is shown now.</p>	
<p>Legislative Updates</p>	<p>Isabel Jones shared the legislative update by going over King County's 2021 Behavioral Health legislative priorities, which are not specific to MIDD but encompass all of the work being done across the County on behavioral health. Isabel shared that the goal this year is to advocate with the legislature to support a racially and socially-just behavioral health system, moving away from reliance on the criminal/legal justice system to address behavioral health crises in lieu of community based and culturally-competent services that keep people out of the criminal justice and hospital systems. She presented five priority areas that play a critical role in meeting that goal.</p> <p>Mario Paredes made two comments on the presentation. First, the concern of out-of-state companies creating competition in the field by contracting with clinicians to provide Telehealth services to Medicaid clients. He commented that this could be taken into consideration when advocating because it's reducing the workforce in King County. Second, Mario commented that he hopes that in working with the legislature, they look at an additional increase in funding to fill the current gap. Isabel stated that they are working and talking about that.</p> <p>Co-Chair Judge Ketu Shah asked a question as to what has fueled the substantial increase in court costs vs behavioral health costs. Kelli Nomura answered that a combination of things has increased costs at the court level: BHRD continues to pay for all of the court costs, including increased staffing that supports this work, and these court costs have always come out of the Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organization funds. Court costs increase but the funds to cover them stay the same, so a larger proportion of those funds are needed.</p>	
<p>MIDD AC Equity Framework - Review, Approve and Prioritize</p>	<p>Alexis Mercedes-Rink did a walkthrough of the revised draft MIDD AC Equity Framework, which was informed by the feedback at the last AC meeting. She noted that since the last meeting, the Steering Committee has clarified</p>	

	<p>the need to develop a parallel strategy to increase integration of peers and consumers into the work of MIDD.</p> <p>Mayor Lynne Robinson asked whether or not the Framework has been shared with agencies that are funded by MIDD and have they received any feedback from those agencies. Robin Pfohman answered that at this point, it has not been shared with agencies that are funded by MIDD, but there will be work with MIDD program managers to implement some of this work moving forward. Mayor Robinson suggested that it might be a good first step to get that feedback.</p> <p>Mayor Robinson asked how diversity is being measured in cities, because Bellevue is one of the most diverse cities in the state and often left off the radar. Robin answered that they will be looking at the types of populations that MIDD serves (poverty, race, ethnicity, etc.) and people that need access to MIDD services will be a priority.</p> <p>The group moved to approve the draft MIDD AC Equity Framework by consensus.</p> <p>The group used an online tool (Menti) to prioritize goals and activities within the MIDD AC Equity Framework, the results of which the Steering Committee will use as feedback and develop into the work plan for the coming year.</p>	
Agenda Setting for 2021	Brad Finegood lead the group in a discussion activity regarding setting priorities for 2021. Members were asked to propose areas of focus for the MIDD AC in 2021. Robin indicated that some of the key comments can added into the agenda setting for the year without having to meet on it again.	
MIDD Staff Report	Staff Report did not take place due to lack of time.	
Agenda Items for February Meeting	<p>There will be updates made to MIDD initiative names that are outdated or where the initiative has changed. Robin briefly reviewed the changes. Members can express any concerns. The changes will be considered finalized if there is no stated objection.</p> <p>Suamhirs has been working on the community-driven behavioral health services grants and those have been awarded. The update that will be sent out will include the list of awardees for those grants.</p> <p>Please email Robin Pfohman with any desired agenda items for the February meeting.</p>	
Adjourned	1:30 PM	
Next meeting	Thursday, February 25, 2021, 12:00-1:30 p.m., Zoom	