

## KPHA Board of Directors

January 23, 2024

In attendance: Ruaa Hassaballa-Muhammed, Erin Attebery, Kendra Baldrige, Christi Cain, Eldonna Chesnut, Daniel Craig, Aften Gardner, Megan Gottschalk, Tanya Honderick, Steve Maheux, Robyn McLaren, Shirley Orr, Shelby Ostrom, Noah Schnieders, Brandon Skidmore, Jessica Smith, Christi Wells.

Ruaa Hassaballa-Muhammed, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am and welcomed everyone. The members introduced themselves.

Ms. Hassaballa-Muhammed shared the draft 2024 Strategic Priorities.

II. Strengthening Public Health Infrastructure

III. Membership Engagement and Retention through Collaboration

IV. Policy Advocacy

V. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

There was a motion to approve the 2024 Strategic Priorities.

Ms. Hassaballa-Muhammed and Ms. Bedell shared a concept to engage members in policy and advocacy activities, that would recognize “Advocate” or “Champions.” There was a motion to approve the program with details to be refined by a small group. It was seconded and passed.

Steve Maheux shared an update on the Diversity Equity and Inclusion Priority. The group has two goals for KPHA. The internal goal is to assure that as a board and as an association we are “walking the walk” and use the APHA assessment in even-numbered years. He encouraged board members who are interested in DEI work to reach out to him.

Next, Ms. Hassaballa-Muhammed shared her Vision for the year as president. She included some announcements including that we will have an in-person meeting in March. Her “Call to Action” for Board members includes: active participation, collective responsibility in achieving strategic goals and wearing your KPHA hat at the different tables you sit at.

The February 15<sup>th</sup> Take 20: Dr. Danielle Jones, VP of Accountability, Belonging and Culture at .

Aften Gardener shared the accounting management reports as of December 31, 2023. Angela Bedell shared the 2024 draft budget.

Christi Wells shared some post-conference information. Shirley Orr and Tanya Honderick, Conference Co-Chairs, shared thoughts and plans for the 2024 Conference.