

**BeYOU Advisory Board Meeting
March 16, 2021
Meeting Notes**

Welcome & Roll Call

BeYOU Board Members		
Joshua Andres - Absent	Tracie Newman - Absent	Kevin Tengesdal - Present
James Falcon - Present	David Newman - Absent	Jenna Vanhorne - Present
Jason Grueneich - Present	Kristin Rhen - Present	Christopher Wegner - Present
Kayla Hochstetler - Absent	Kristi Rosselli-Sullivan - Absent	
Jacqueline Hoffarth - Absent	Anna Schimmelpfennig - Absent	
Justin Lein - Present	Faye Seidler - Present	
Kristin Nelson - Present	Heidi Selzer-Echola - Absent	
Barry Nelson - Absent	Cody Severson - Present	

Others in attendance: Jordan Laducer, Beverly Anaele, Krissie Guerard, Sara Upgren, Sarah Weninger, Tracy Miller, Kim Hruby, Alicia Belay

Updates:

- **Krissie Guerard** – Youth Advisory Board will meet for the first time on March 27, with 37 youth are on that board. The Health Equity office is busy working on the Covid Special Populations Plan.
- **Sarah Weninger** – Working on materials that are in draft form on our website. Please feel welcome to give any feedback and/or input on these materials. We have also seen a significant reduction in HIV testing and this year we will focus on getting those numbers up and also on needs assessments in different populations.

Co-Chair Election / Introductions: Jordan will send out a link to vote. Voting will be due by March 19. Position is a two-year term.

- Faye S. – Worked with Queer Advocacy and Health since 2014. LGBTQ professional training for cultural competency. Extensive background in health and education across the state of ND. Advocate for trans individuals and LGBTQ and a great deal of experience working with boards.
- James F. – Served on Magic City Equality board for 4 years and currently the co-executive director. Works at Trinity Health as Communication Specialist for the past 9 years.
- Jenna V. – Goal is to make sure everyone has a voice. Grew up as an only black child within a 60 mile radius and know what it feels like to feel unheard. My goal is to make sure everyone feels welcomed, excepted, safe and loved.

Discussion:

- What’s Next – Topics to Discuss
 - There will be a topic of discussion for each meeting.
- Ongoing Meetings
 - We will be meeting every third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Open Discussion and Recap:

- Faye – Are there limitations on what we are able to do as an advisory board?
 - Let us know the issues you see that need to be addressed. There are things we can do if we know about them.
 - We are working on some cultural competencies and some provider trainings and a LGBTQ2S+ initiative for healthcare and businesses.
- Jason – Would be interested in finding out rates of addiction and alcoholism in L+ community.
 - Tracy Miller will look for any data sets that might show the trends over the last few years.

Next Meeting – April 20, 2021