

AASHE Board Meeting
June 18, 2021

In attendance: Jay, Cindy, Raghu, Ann, Monica, Jenny, Meghan

Absent: David, Audrey, Meghna, Gil, Ashwani

Notes

We did not have a quorum for this call so the minutes from April were not approved but will be included in the July board packet for approval.

The discussion centered on an update from Meghan on the Racial Equity & Social Justice Action Plan from 122 Consulting. This plan will be included in the July board packet. No decisions were made.

Important points from the discussion include:

- Consideration of what implementation of these actions looks like
- How can we support AASHE's journey and continue to serve as a resource for our members that may be on similar journeys?
- Our budget demonstrates our value; we need to consider how we are funding these efforts moving forward.
- Is there a staff person interested in championing this work? Perhaps in addition to a consultant?
- Consider sharing more of this work with our members so they understand what we're doing. Need to determine what we're sharing with our members (the action plan is more of an internal document)
- Need to prioritize diversifying the board; Jenny will connect with Meghna and plan to share some ideas during the July meeting.

Though we didn't review a detailed financial update (that will be in the July board retreat), the Executive Director shared that membership continues to exceed our monthly budget expectations (which were set lower due to the pandemic) and that things are looking promising for the conference with host institutions and exhibitors starting to come in.

Finally, Jay shared his recent experience with presenting to many institutions in Spain that highlighted AASHE's work.