

CHAIR REPORT TO SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 CPARB MEETING

Welcome back board members from the summer break. Hope you were able to refresh and get some much needed downtime after our busy spring. Thank you for participating in our special June meeting and approve our BE/DBI report. Since our May 12th CPARB meeting, below is a brief synopsis of Chair activities on behalf of the board:

1. Administrative activity with DES:
 - DES forwarded the BE/DBI Final Committee Report in response to Section 20 of SB 5032 to the legislative on behalf of CPARB on June 24th. Thank you and good job CPARB!
 - Working with Talia converting from Zoom to Teams for our virtual board meetings.
2. Subcommittee meetings participation:
 - Business Equity/Diverse Business Inclusion committee – attended last meetings in May in preparation for final report out and vote at special June CPARB meeting.
 - Small Works – attended June, July and August meetings to understand conversations taking place and progress toward legislative bill changes that are being discussed.
 - Legislative Writing – attended 8/25 and 9/1 meetings to understand progress toward legislative bill change development.
 - GC/CM best practices – attended May and June meetings to advance best practices document as a committee member.
 - Board Development – attended June and August meetings as a committee member.
 - and Legislative writing committee meetings – attended meetings to understand conversations taking place and progress towards legislative bill language in time for 2023 session.
 - PRC – attended May committee of the whole meeting to stay informed.
3. Information/Activities outside of CPARB committees:
 - Notified Governor's office of resignation of Mathew Hepner (Labor) and Lisa van de Lugt (OMWBE) from the board.
 - Governor Inslee selected Lekha Fernandes as the new OMWBE Director, with a September 12th start date. Welcome Lekha!
4. Training participation
 - None
5. Discussions:
 - Various check ins with board members when requested
6. Upcoming:
 - Senate State Government and Election Committee requested a presentation from CPARB on our BE/DBI report on September 13th. Currently coordinating with the committee chairs on presenters and presentation materials.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Zahn, CPARB Chair