Administrative Board

Minutes from April 16, 2024

The Boulder County Division of the Community Action Programs Administrative Board met virtually in regular session on April 16, 2024, on TEAMS.

Present: Maryel Barron, Alex Kalkhofer and Erika Moats.

Absent: Patrick Dillon

Staff Present: Maciel Leon

Community guest: None

Maciel began the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

Quorum Present: 3 out of 4

Public Comment: No public Comment

Approval of Board Minutes: Review and approval of March meeting minutes.

Directors Report:

- PERL Administrative Boards and Commissions Training is underway. There are seven registered participants.
- PIE CAP and Mile Hugh United Way are working through the logistics of transitioning the fiscal responsibilities to our non-profit arm of Cap. During this transition, CAP is taking every possible measure to minimize disruptions for our active PIE clients. PIE Orientations are still being scheduled, and eligible individuals are encouraged to apply, understanding that their applications will be processed once the transition is finalized.
- Cultural Broker training offered by the CAP Project Specialist has garnered significant interest from Boulder County employees. This suggests that there is still a strong desire among the workforce to engage in a learning opportunity that covers a range of topics, such as cultural awareness, effective communication across cultures, and addressing unconscious bias.

Open Discussion:

- In light of the significant transition ahead for the PIE program, Maciel thought it would be a good time to have a discussion with the board about other asset building opportunities that could make a positive impact to low-income participants.
- There was a lengthy discussion about possibly considering alternatives for PIE participants that have other immediate needs that need to be met before considering the pursuit of an asset goal in the areas of home ownership, business, or education.
- There were ideas shared, such as using PIE to help low-income clients with items that would help with their current employment or increase the likelihood of attaining a higher paying job.
- Ideas that were shared were the purchase a vehicle, computers/communication package for those that would like to pursue remote job opportunities for low-income adults looking for flexibility in employment.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn at 5:57 p.m.