

Cambridge Human Services Commission Meeting Minutes September 8, 2016 5:30 – 7:30 pm Citywide Senior Center 806 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge, MA 02139

Commissioners present: Christopher R. Hall, Lori Likis, Khari Milner, Sumbul Siddiqui

DHSP staff present: Janice Alger, Mike Payack (recorder), Ellen Semonoff

Presenter: Michelle Farnum, Assistant Director of Child, Youth & Family Services, DHSP

I. Welcome, Networking, and Dinner

• Ellen Semonoff welcomed members of the Human Services Commission

- II. Discussion of DHSP's Equity and Access Initiative
  - Michelle Farnum, DHSP's Assistant Director of Child, Youth & Family Services
    - i. Michelle described DHSP's Equity and Access Initiative, which began in 2012 in order to examine DHSP's structures and processes with the goal of increasing access to programs for low-income families and families of color not currently being served by DHSP programs

## III. Announcements

No Announcements

## IV. Upcoming Schedule:

• Mike Payack announced that the next meeting of the Human Services Commission is scheduled for Thursday, October 13, 2016.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Payack Planner/Contracts Manager DHSP/Planning & Development

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