



# IDDEAS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY

**Date:** 01/27/2026

**Time:** 1:00 – 3:00 PM

**Location:** Virtual (Go to the [IDDEAS Advisory Council website](#) to see meeting recordings)

## Summary:

- Council voted for Alicia to serve as temporary co-chair for this meeting.
- The group listened to presentations from VOICES recipients Guided by Humanity and Developmental FX.
- Council held elections for the 2026 co-chairs and the Community Advisory Council member. Jessica and Alicia were elected as co-chairs and Seth was elected as the CAC member.
- Council reviewed the Housing Subcommittee Proposal form and the Bridges Subcommittee Proposal Form. Both subcommittees were adopted through a vote. Jessica and Alicia joined the Housing Subcommittee and did not report any conflicts of interest.

## Discussion topics for next meeting:

- VOICES Presentations
- Housing Subcommittee report out and call for membership.
- Vote on subcommittee proposals and hold calls for membership for Bridges subcommittee.
- Council will consider whether to hold some in-person meetings (without a hybrid option) in the future



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## Attendance:

1. Alexa Gagner
2. Chris Patton
3. Jessica Raichle
4. Michelle Dumay
5. Molly Mason
6. Alicia Cooper
7. Seth Grove
8. Adriana Delatorre
9. Kizzly Blue (non-voting member)

## Guests:

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## Absent:

1. Brian Be
2. Stefanie Gross
3. Julissa Soto

## DHS Staff:

- Michaela Hennig
- Jordan Mulholland
- Lynn Kutner
- Whitney Nettleton
- Annie Bagatsing
- Robert Wolf
- Jonathan Saadeh
- Tom Gamache

## I. Call to Order

Meeting began at 1:06. Alicia motioned to begin, seconded by Michelle and Alexa. Alicia was nominated through a motion by Michelle and a second by Jessica to serve as temporary co-chair for this meeting in lieu of co-chairs for 2026 until elections were held. Alicia was voted in as temporary co-chair through 7 yes votes.

## II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Molly motioned to approve minutes with Alexa seconding. 6 members voted yes and 1 abstained.

## III. Council Updates

Jessica shared a reminder that Access on Demand services has a few changes.

Seth shared that there is an informational webinar hosted by HCPF on Medicaid information and sustainability. Link to the webinar was shared in the chat.

Lynn Kutner reminded the council members to fill out the survey inquiring on how IDDEAS can improve meetings.

#### **IV. Breathing in Uncertainty**

Alicia shared her concern about the events related to ICE bringing uncertainty for her and concern for the community. She encouraged people to protect each other and use the buddy system in public. Jessica thanked Alicia for sharing and Molly shared agreement with these feelings.

#### **V. Break**

#### **VI. VOICES Presentations**

Mary Medellin Sims with Guided by Humanity presented on Denver Fashion Week. Tracy Stackhouse and Hannah Burke with Developmental FX presented on Therapy that Fits and DFX Wrap-Around Program. (see the PowerPoint for more information)

#### **VII. 2026 Advisory Council Elections**

Michaela reviewed the election process and details of roles and responsibilities of the Community Advisory Council Member and the two co-chairs.

##### *Nominations for co-chairs:*

Michelle nominated Jessica and Alicia as co-chairs. Adriana nominated Alicia as co-chair. Seth nominated Michelle as a co-chair. Jessica nominated Adrianna and Molly. Jessica and Alicia accepted their nominations. Michelle and Adriana declined their nominations, and Molly was no longer present in the meeting to accept the nomination.

There were 5 yes Votes for Jessica and therefore Jessica was elected to serve as a 2026 co-chair; There were 5 yes Votes for Alicia and therefore Alicia was elected to serve as a 2026 co-chair.

Nominations for CAC. Michelle and Alicia nominated Seth. Jessica nominated Alexa. Alexa was no longer present in the meeting to accept the nomination. Seth accepted the nomination.

There were 5 yes votes for Seth. Therefore, Seth was elected to serve the Community Advisory Council member role.

#### **VIII. Break**

#### **IX. Public Comment**

Public Comment was given by Henry Sheller from Baltimore, MD who represented Spirit Club, a fitness club for people of all abilities located in Cherry Creek and Englewood. He provided the email [connect@spirit-club.com](mailto:connect@spirit-club.com) for anyone who would like to learn more.

Public Comment was attempted by Tom Bostwick but could not be conducted due to technical issues.

#### **X. Subcommittee Proposals**

Jordan reviewed the Housing Subcommittee Proposal form. Jessica motioned to adopt the subcommittee, Michelle seconded. 5 voted yes, 0 voted no and 1 abstained. Therefore, the Council adopted the Housing Subcommittee.

*Call for membership:* Alicia agreed to join the subcommittee and reported no conflicts of interest. Jessica agreed to join the subcommittee and upon consideration from the IDDEAS attorney, Bob Wolfe, was confirmed to not have any conflicts of interest. Calls for membership will continue in March when more members are present.

Michaela reviewed the Bridges Subcommittee Proposal by Julissa Soto. Alicia motioned to adopt the subcommittee and Michelle seconded. 6 voted yes, 0 abstentions and 0 no votes. Calls for membership will wait until the March meeting when more members are present.

#### **XI. Forecasting next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on March 24. Meetings will now be every other month to account for subcommittee meetings on the off months. See powerpoint for all dates.

Voices presentations will continue.

We will continue subcommittee proposals, have a report out from the housing subcommittee, and have calls for membership for the Bridges subcommittee.

Michaela asked Council if they would like to have any fully in-person meetings (without a hybrid option) in the future. Alicia requested that we wait until March to discuss further when more Council members are present.

#### **XII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 pm, Michelle motioned to adjourn, and Jessica seconded.

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