



## CAN Dashboard Steering Committee Meeting Minutes, 09/12/2013

**Attendees:** Adele Noel (Travis County Air Quality Project Manager), Jeremy Martin (Austin Chamber), Ann Howard (Ending Community Homelessness Coalition), Shawn Thomas (E3 Alliance), Bob Corona (City of Austin), Chris King (Ray Marshall Center), Bill Carijt (Austin ISD),

**Unable to Attend:** Maureen Britton (Children's Optimal Health), Peter Brodeur (Workforce Solutions Capital Area), Sue Carpenter (United Way for Greater Austin), Katie Coburn (Central Health), John-Michael Cortez (Capital Metro), Ashton Cumberbatch (Seton Healthcare Family), Frances Deviney (Center for Public Policy Priorities), Frank Fernandez (HousingWorks), Darla Gay (Community Justice Council), Anne H. Harutunian (CAN Community Council Liaison), Phil Huang (Austin Travis County Health Department), Lawrence Lyman (Travis County), Louise Lynch (Austin Travis County Integral Care), Vanessa Metzger (City of Austin), Lesley Ramsey (Texas Civic Engagement Table)

**Staff in Attendance:** Chantel Bottoms (Senior Research Analyst), Mary Dodd (Assistant Director), Kevin Paris (Research Assistant) and Vanessa Sarria (Executive Director)

**Welcome and Introductions:** Mary Dodd called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

**Review and Approve Minutes of the May 10, 2013 Meeting:** Chris King made a motion to approve the minutes. Bob Corona seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented.

**Review and Provide Input on Staff Dashboard Engagement Plan and the CAN Dashboard Website Analytics:** Mary Dodd provided attendees with handouts outlining website usage and CAN's proposed strategies for dashboard engagement. Austin ISD expressed trepidation with linking to the Community Dashboard as organizations such as E3 Alliance, the Chamber and the school district itself each analyze and report data differently and this can be confusing for the community.

**Review and Provide Input on the New CAN Dashboard Logo and Status Icons:** There was a suggestion to use "same" or "unchanged" instead of "steady" or "stagnant."

**Review and Consider Adoption of a Proposed Process for Amending Indicators and Targets on the CAN Dashboard:** Mary Dodd shared a proposed process with Dashboard Steering Committee Members. Ann Howard made a motion to adopt the process. Chris King seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**CAN Analysis of Performance Measures Used by CAN Partner Agencies:** Doing this is about aligning policies and ensuring that we are all working in the same direction. CAN will identify which partner agencies are currently using dashboard indicators as performance measures and will report back to the committee for further discussion at their next meeting in November.

**Review Full Potential Indicators:** Mary Dodd reported that CAN is following up on CAN Board direction to reconsider whether college readiness is the most appropriate indicator related to higher education to feature on the dashboard. Shawn Thomas reported on the college readiness indicator as it currently stands on the CAN dashboard. He said that legislation approved in the last Legislative Session will require a new measure for this indicator for students graduating in 2014.



The Committee discussed moving the “college readiness” indicator to the drill-down for “four year high school graduation” because it provides further detail about the level of academic achievement of a high school graduating classes. As the indicator changes, due to changes in testing requirements, the information in the drill-down can also adjust. This would allow the Committee to adopt a new higher-education indicator. The following indicator was suggested:

- % students who complete two-year or four-year college degrees within 6-years of graduating from high school.

Direct to college enrollment rates for high school graduates has remained fairly steady over the past five years, but the rate of direct college enrollment for low-income students has increase by more than 10 percentage points – from 37% in 2005 to 45% in 2011. Persistence in college, especially for low-income students, is where the problem arises. One in four Central Texas graduates completes college within 6 years of finishing high school. Only one in ten low-income graduates completes college within six years of finishing high school.

Jeremy Martin said two indicators included in the Austin Chamber Opportunity 3.0 plan are:

- % of students who enroll in college the year following high school graduation (Austin Chamber Education Progress Reports indicator).
- % of adult population age 25 and over with a bachelor’s degree or higher (Austin Chamber Opportunity 3.0 indicator indicator).

The feeling in the room was largely that that the % of students who complete college within 6-years of graduating from high school is an indicator that fits with CAN’s focus on equity and opportunity. Ann Howard suggested that a decision on this indicator be made in November when more standing Dashboard Steering Committee members are present. Shawn Thomas’s presentation will be shared prior to the November meeting.

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| Indicator  | Baseline             | Latest data          | Goal                       | Target            | Status |
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| Percent of children who are kindergarten ready ***                                 | 52% in 2010          | 56% in 2012          | increase kinder-ready      | 70% by 2015       |        |
| Percent of students who graduate from high school in four years***                 | 77%<br>Class of 2007 | 84%<br>Class of 2010 | increase HS graduation     | 95% Class of 2015 |        |
| Percent of high school graduates who are college ready in both English and Math*** | 43%<br>Class of 2007 | 59%<br>Class of 2011 | increase college readiness | 86% Class of 2015 |        |
| Unemployment rate  | 6.1% in January 2002 | 5.7% in January 2013 | reduce unemployment        | 4% in 01/2017     |        |

**Adjourn:** Mary Dodd adjourned the meeting at 2:49 p.m. The next meeting of the Dashboard Steering Committee will take place on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00 pm at Workforce Solutions in the Lone Star Room.