Partner In Policymaking Selection Committee  
Wednesday, December 1, 2021  
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SUMMARY

Members Present: Brenda Cosse, Bambi Polotzola, Rashad Bristo, Crystal White

Members Absent:

Attendees: Adrienne Thomas

Staff: Shandrell Stewart, Halie Belin, Brenton Andrus, Amy Deaville

Transcriptionist: Lynsey Hebert

- Bambi Polotzola calls meeting to order and takes roll.
- Virtual Protocol read by Shandrell Stewart
- Present overview of applicants
  - The question was asked: How many applicants applied and how many are being accepted
    - Reply: There was a total of 25 applicants. 2 were found ineligible leaving a total of 23 applicants eligible for review.
    - It was noted that there is a minimum of 20 required to be accepted
  - The question was asked: What is the maximum number allowed
    - Reply: There is only a minimum of 20, no maximum has been set
    - It was noted that its believed the largest class consisted of 28 with 2 or 3 of those dropping from the roster.
  - The question was asked: Of the applicants, how many were from each region in addition to more information about their racial, gender, self-advocacy or parental and disability diversity.
    - Reply:

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- The question was asked: What are the regions of the 2 applicants that were not eligible
  - Reply: The applicants were from regions 1 and 8
- The question was asked: Which regions were not represented
  - Reply: Regions 3, 6 and 7
- The question was asked: How to proceed with the review process
The committee was informed that they had 2 options

- To invite all 23 eligible applicants to be a part of the class
- To review each eligible applicant in more detail and decide which would not be invited into the program

- Mr. Rashad Bristo motions to accept all eligible applicants for Partners In Policymaking class of 2022
  - Ms. Crystal White second that motion

**Announcements**

- Ms. Crystal White stated that she believes it’s time that we think outside of the box when recruiting for the classes and try to reach more self-advocates.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Mr. Rashad Bristo moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 am. Second by Ms. Crystal White