

Catskill Advisory Group, Meeting #20 December 02, 2021

Attendees, DEC staff: Katie Petronis, Mikaela Hameline, Peter Frank, Sara Hart, Basil Seggos, McCrea Burnham.

Attendees, CAG members: Michelle Yost, Lisa Lyons, Warren Hart, Jeff Senterman, Cathy Pedler, Ramsay Adams, Joshua Ginsberg, Joshua Howard, David Kukle, Adam Bosch.

Guest participants: Cheryl Amrani and Mamie A. Parker (Mamie Parker and Associates)

Welcome and introductions:

- Round robin introductions/ reviewed agenda.
- Reviewed community rules.

Celebrated the completion of the Interim Report's DEIJ section.

Brief address from Commissioner Basil Seggos.

Reviewed remainder of Interim Report:

- Made minor edits to cover letter and introduction.
- CAG made recommendations for language to be added about the creation of the Catskill Park Coordinator position. This language will be added to the report's first recommendation about establishing a Park Coordinator.
- Will add Appendix with press release about the Catskill Park Coordinator position.
- List of Preparers appendix:
 - CAG members will provide any additional names to include.
 - DEC executive can add names of DEC staff.

Completed Interim Report:

- CAG agreed that after finalizing the above edits, DEC facilitators can submit the Interim Report to DEC Exec. staff who will then submit it to the Commissioner.

Reviewed timeline for Final Strategic Framework:

- Goal is to finish Interim Report by end of May.
- Agreed to revisit timeline in March.
- CAG members asked for clarity regarding:
 - Planning process.
 - Template for the Final Strategic Framework.
 - CAG member roles, possible CAG executive structure, and coordination among subcommittees.
 - Accountability and directional structure for CAG members.

Next steps/homework for CAG:

- CAG to provide additional names to add to List of Preparers appendix.