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Better Together Board Meeting: Agenda

Friday, April 28, 2023 - 12 pm - 1 pm
School of Social Work, Room 203 / Zoom

Purpose: receive updates from Advisory Board members and discuss hiring process of Better Together Director Position.

Called to order: 1202

1. Update to Board Roster
 - a. Jerron Kiegler has stepped down as a board member but will remain involved as a community member as he is able
2. Nac Safe Place (5 min)
 - a. Cinessa Garner Tipps
 - b. Overview of the project - [suicide awareness/ awareness walk on 09/23/23](#)
 - c. Proposal to have Alana Culpepper join as a visitor next board meeting- [motion approved to have Alana come and speak at the next meeting \(Andrew/Carlos\)](#)
3. Blue Zone (5 min)
 - a. Erin or Tracie (Mario unavailable)
 - b. Update- [committee feels that our efforts would be better served with implementing concepts instead of branding Nacogdoches as a "Blue Zone"](#)
4. [4-5 board members need to consider going to the annual meeting in the valley](#)
5. [Treasure position motioned: Stacy, 2nd: Michelle– Andrew approved \(pending bylaw review\)](#)
6. [Come and Go party for Anna on May 11th \(email to be sent out for invites\)](#)

Closed Session

7. Sustainability Committee (45 min)
 - a. Dr Avant
 - b. Hiring process for Director Position- [hiring team: Anna, Erin, Tracie, Carlos, Dr Avant \(will need to complete a training through SFA, online\)](#)
 - c. Board approval needed for functions of the job, type of candidate desired- [job requirements for director position established](#)
 - d. Discuss budget

[Adjourn: 1255](#)