Welcome – Byron Russell, Co-Chair
Byron Russell welcomed attendees to the meeting.

- A discussion about how Utah will be impacted by the third COVID-19 relief bill
  ○ Opportunities for growth and investing in the future for the state of Utah
  ○ Disparities in the social determinants of health, such as food, housing, and income insecurity, have been exacerbated. Must ensure these marginalized groups are not left behind.
  ○ The state of Utah will receive $2.7 billion as part of the American Rescue Plan
    ■ Allows a boost to recovery for local and state governments
    ■ Provides stability for those struggling, builds future growth, and organizes public and private partnerships with community organizations
    - Workforce development is an opportunity where the public and private partnerships can be built.
      ○ Education opportunities for schools and families
      ○ Potential to use funding for improving conditions for women and BIPOC women
      ○ One Refugee program provides funding and education for the refugee community
  - Improves supply chain and manufacturing infrastructure
  - Bridges the digital divide

Vaccine Eligibility for Ages 16 and Over – Jenny Johnson
- Vaccine eligibility was opened up for all Utahns ages 16 or over
  ○ Ages 16 and above, but below 18 are only eligible for the Pfizer vaccine
    ■ To find a specific vaccine Utahns are encouraged to use vaccinefinder.com, the state coronavirus website, or the local health departments to find vaccine providers by region and manufacturer.
  ○ Adult Utahns are encouraged to not shop around for vaccines, and to take whatever vaccine is available for them.
  ○ By the fall, the vaccine could be authorized for children aged 12 or older. For young children, potentially 2022 at the earliest.
  ○ For multicultural communities, certain ideal locations are being identified, as well as which vaccine is preferred, to ensure the largest number of those affected can be vaccinated.
- Mask mandate in most areas of the state ends April 10
  ○ Does not override the current school mask mandate
  ○ A mask mandate is still in place for gatherings of 50 or more people until July 1

Communications – Juan Becerra
- Utah PIO Association Conference Session
  ○ Present a session on lessons learned in crisis communication from COVID-19. This will inform PIOs and professionals on culturally-aware and equity-centered practices.
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- Working with Joe Dougherty to navigate logistics  
- September 27th-29th

- Native American Community COVID-19 Vaccine Response Town Hall  
  - Elevate Native American community responses to the COVID-19 vaccine with a focus on community and collaboration  
  - Scheduled for April 13th at 6:30 P.M. MT via the Utah Division of Indian Affairs’ Facebook Live

- Advising on Potential Vaccine Locations  
  - Working with the Utah Department of Health to suggest community sites for mass vaccine locations  
    - Compiled a list of Spanish speaking units among The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints  
    - Organized a mass list of community health sites  
    - Brainstorming ways to honor and elevate the work of community organizers

Other Business
- The Utah Health Department will be updating a working document weekly that tracks and identifies COVID-19 data by race and ethnicity per local health department  
- Celebrating Women's History Month by highlighting and honoring the important efforts of some of the women community health workers throughout the state

Next Meeting
Friday, April 9, 2021 from 3:00–4:00 P.M. through Google Meet.