



## COMMITTEE EVALUATION AND REVIEW BOARD (CERB)

### Meeting Minutes – Meeting 13

April 9, 2025

Virtually by Microsoft Teams

#### **Members Present:**

Jake Didinsky  
Mary Ann Keeffe  
Deeptaanshu Kumar

Sofya Orlosky, Co-Chair  
Karl Pitt  
Catherine Sindos

#### **Members Absent**

Justin Carlson  
Muriel Hairston-Cooper, Co-Chair  
Jeffrey Slavin  
Clint Sobratti

#### **County Staff Present:**

Ken Hartman-Espada, Asst. Chief  
Administrative Officer  
Beth Gochrach, Office of the  
County Executive  
Eritrea Thomas, Office of the  
County Executive

#### **Guests**

Kristen Latham, Office of  
Legislative Oversight, County  
Council  
Richard Hoye

#### 1. **Call to Order – Open Session**

The meeting began at 7:10 pm but co-chair Sofya Orloski called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM when Jake Didinsky joined, and a quorum was achieved.

##### • **Approval of Minutes**

Mary Ann Keeffe moved to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2025, meeting and Cathy Sindos seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

##### • **Housekeeping – Updates**

**Remaining CERB member visits:** Beth Gochrach stated that there were two CERB member visits remaining:

- Friendship Heights Urban District Advisory Committee – Monday, June 16, Noon– Mary Ann Keeffe will attend.
- Water Quality Advisory Group – Monday, April 14, 7:00 PM. Deep Kumar will attend.

**Non-Advisory Board Responses:** Ken Hartman-Espada sent 17 emails to the non-advisory BCCs on March 24, 2025. The deadline to respond is April 15, 2025. Four responses have been received:

- Bethesda Urban Partnership Board of Directors
- Interagency Coordinating Board for Community Use of Public Facilities
- Board of Registration for Building Contractors
- Soil Conservation Advisory Committee

**Sign Ups – Department Directors:** There was a discussion about the CERB member meetings with department directors and how the scheduling process can be made more efficient.

2. **Presentation by Kristen Latham, Office of Legislative Oversight – 2024 Contractor Report on BCCs**  
Kristen Latham, Office of Legislative Oversight (OLO), provided an overview and shared the results of the contractor's 2024 report on BCCs. She answered questions from CERB members about the presentation.

Jake left the meeting at 7:55 PM ending the quorum.

3. **Presentation by CERB Member Deeptaanshu Kumar – Using AI for CERB Data Evaluation**  
Deep made a presentation on how he used AI to analyze some of the data collected by CERB at this point.

4. **Planning Discussion – Next Steps**  
The planning discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

5. **New Business**  
There was no new business.

6. **Next Meeting:**  
It was agreed that the next meeting would be May 21, 2025.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 pm.**