

CITY OF HUNTINGTON WOODS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ANTI-RACISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

7:00 p.m.

Huntington Woods City Hall

Beaulieu called the Meeting to order at 7:05pm

PRESENT: Maria LaLonde, Kia Essien, Katie Beaulieu,
Jessicalyn Edwards, Cary McGehee, Daniel Dena in person;

Also: Brandon Mar, Christina Kozlowski by Zoom

ABSENT: None.

City Staff Present: [Francesco Ferrara](#)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Dena and seconded by McGehee to approve the December 2022 agenda as proposed.

Ayes: Essien, LaLonde, Edwards and Beaulieu, Dena, McGehee

Nays: None

Absent: Kozlowski

The Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETINGS MINUTES

Moved by LaLonde and seconded by Edwards to approve the November 2022 minutes.

Ayes: Essien, LaLonde, Edwards and Beaulieu, Dena, McGehee

Nays: None

Absent: Kozlowski

The Motion Carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Claire Galed makes an inquiry about when the DEI report would be made public.

- January is when the Commission will meet regarding publication.
- Idea of listening session on the DEI Report
- Bring in community to comment on the report
- Plan on March for DEI Listening session
- Invite Michelle Cantor to facilitate discussion, moderate
- Perhaps have it be in-person and on Zoom
- Ask that the plan is publicized before the meeting

Deb Hemmye clarified that Vital Voices library group is about amplifying non-traditional voices in literature.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

i. Conversation with Greater Metro Assoc of Realtors

1. Had to cancel planned visit, but hoping to raincheck
2. GMAR can provide information on DEI work that they do for the association
3. Hopefully coming in for January meeting

ii. Development of DEI Calendar

1. Possible to send weekly blurbs to Francesco
2. Have liaison to library advisory council or librarian to have continuity for library events
3. Make sure calendar is built with what library already planning
4. Increasing awareness is major goal, as is amplifying what the library is already doing
5. There is a middle school kids group that is focused on exposure to different religions
6. National Day of Racial Healing is coming up in January

b. Other Business

i. Appointment Terms

1. 3-year term renewal for Daniel Dena, but resigns as Secretary
2. Maria LaLonde stepping down and not seeking renewal

ii. New Vice Chair and Secretary

1. Jessicalynn Edwards elected as Vice Chair
2. Christine Kozlowski elected as Secretary

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Essien, and seconded by McGehee.

Ayes: Essien, LaLonde, Edwards and Beaulieu, Dena, McGehee

Nays: None

Absent: Kozlowski

The Motion Carried, meeting adjourned.

Daniel S. Dena

Kate Beaulieu, Chairperson