

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

Wednesday, May 11, 2022
7:00 p.m.
Huntington Woods City Hall

Beaulieu called the Meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

PRESENT: Katie Beaulieu, Daniel Dena, Kia Essien, Mary LaLonde,
Brandon Mar, in person; Elizabeth Zerwekh by Zoom

ABSENT:

City Staff Present: City Manager Chris Wilson, Deb Hemmye, Library
Director

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Essien and seconded by Dena to approve the May 11th agenda as
proposed.

Ayes: Dena, Beaulieu, Essien, LaLonde
Nays: None
Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETINGS MINUTES

Moved by LaLonde and seconded by Dena to approve the April 13th
minutes.

Ayes: Dena, Essien, and Beaulieu, LaLonde
Nays: None
Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

David Sloan and Claire Galed, alongside rest of ARAC committee, shared thoughts about the social identity wheel provided with last week's agenda.

ITEMS OF REVIEW

- a. Juneteenth Plans
 - i. Many vendors are booked or non-responsive. Wilson suggests catering for the event in lieu of vendors. Idea would be to purchase plates from various black-owned vendors and sell plates to event goers.
 1. Concerns: not having the representatives from the vendors means having to know what's in the food, how to properly store it before sale. May be too much information and too much work for any small group of people
 2. Residents can pay via cash or by Venmo
 - ii. Decision to make event from 2-5pm
 - iii. Yard signs can be made under tight deadlines
 - iv. Shaay can be available as a vendor
 - v. Jamal Jordan busy all weekend, still need for a speaker. Can reach out Kyra Bolden, State House candidate for Southfield, or Marshall Bullock, state senator.
 - vi. Library booked Brynne Barnes for book reading
 - vii. Will also bring crafts for kids
 - viii. As far as books, recommend against bags for environmental reasons. Could lay out books for kids to grab, would resolve issue of redundant books for households with multiple children
 - ix. Expecting one to two books for children and about 50-60 children
 - x. DJ is available, will double check can be available from 2-5pm
 - xi. Still working on getting list of black-owned businesses to distribute for support
 - xii. Presentation on plaque? Plaque may not be ready but presentation can still happen.
 - xiii. Jane, Communications Officer has agreed to work on digital flier

- xiv. We will have to meet again at the location to scope out the area, make sure we know where tables will go, where speaking will take place from, and to prepare for possibility of rain.
- b. What's next?
 - i. Tabled for next meeting
- c. Other Business
 - i. Tabled for next meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Dena, and seconded by Beaulieu.

Ayes: Dena, Beaulieu, LaLonde and Essien

Nays: None

Absent:

The Motion Carried, meeting adjourned at 8:16PM.

Daniel Dena, Secretary

Kate Beaulieu, Chairperson