

Minutes

Tuesday, March 03, 2020

Ante Room at 5:45 p.m.

Attendance:

Rob Gill, Sharon Paton, Stephanie Vail, LeeAnn Pocknell (arrived at 6:00)

Absent

Member name redacted for privacy, William Clarke-Coward, Marissa Daniels, Enzo DeDivitiis, Lindsay McCormick

Staff Liaison:

Marla Terreberry-Portfilio

1. **Call meeting to order**
The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:55 pm.
2. **Recognition of Traditional Territories**
The Chair acknowledged that the land on which we meet today is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabeg peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Peoples. Acknowledging this is a reminder that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.
3. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**
It was noted that item 9.2 Committee Recruitment and Appointment Process, has been rescheduled to the March 31, 2020 meeting at the presenters' request.
4. **Motion to approve the agenda**
Quorum was not achieved at the beginning of the meeting and two guest speakers were in attendance. The Chair allowed the presentations to proceed and all other items on the agenda were deferred to next meeting.
5. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**
Item deferred to next meeting as quorum was not achieved.

6. Declarations of Interest

N/A

7. Presentations

7.1. Dick Moore, Senior Pride Network Niagara

Dick Moore provided an overview of the history, service, mandate, and importance of the Senior Pride Network Niagara (SPNN). Dick Moore discussed the unique needs of the older adults from the 2SLGBTQ+ communities as well as the stigma, discrimination, challenges, fears and gaps in service that exist for members of these communities. Dick shared SPNN advocacy efforts attempts to increase and improve programs for older members of the 2SLGBTQ+ communities. Dick informed that more information about the SPNN can be found at www.facebook.com/groups/toSPNN.

8. Business arising from the minutes

8.1. Consultation with Equity Seeking groups related to the Rainbow Crosswalk at Harriet Tubman School. (Staff Liaison, Marla Terreberry-Portfilio)

Item deferred to next meeting as quorum was not achieved.

Marla informed that the LGBTQ2+ Committee has items on the March 10, 2020 agenda of the Equity and Inclusion Committee and the March 12, 2002 agenda of the Anti-Racism Committee. The Chair indicated a willingness to attend the meeting, however, inquired if other members would like to attend in her place.

Rob Gill offered to attend the March 10, 2020 meeting of the Equity and Inclusion Committee.

Action Item

The Staff Liaison will send out an email to members asking if anyone would like to attend the Anti-Racism Committee on March 12, 2020 in place of the Chair.

8.2. Statement regarding community event or professional development information sharing (Chair, Sharon Paton)

Item deferred to next meeting as quorum was not achieved.

9. Business

9.1. 2015 Recreation Facilities & Programming Master Plan

Lori Mambella, Manager, Programs and Culture Services, Community, Recreation and Culture Services

Lori Mambella presented information regarding the history, development and implementation of the 2015 Recreation Facilities & Programming Master Plan (Plan). Information regarding the diversity and inclusion related action items contained within the Plan was provided. Discussions regarding opportunities for the LGBTQ2+ Committee to be consulted and partner with Community, Recreation and Culture Services as they work on implementing these action plan items were discussed. Additionally, links to the committee's 2020 work plan were made.

9.2. Committee recruitment and appointment process review.

Item was rescheduled to the March 31, 2020 meeting at the request of the presenters.

9.3. Work plan Discussion Continued

The Chair informed that the finalized LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee Work Plan needs to be presented at the Social Sustainability Committee meeting on April 7th at 4:30 p.m. Therefore, work plan working groups are asked to review and finalize the items that they were working on for review and approval at the March 31, 2020 meeting. Any amendments to the plan should be sent to the Staff Liaison and the Chair via email by March 24, 2020 so they can be ready to present at the March 31, 2020 meeting.

10. Date of next meeting

March 31, 2020 at 5:45 pm in the Ante Room, City Hall