

**DIVERSITY COUNCIL
TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR
11 RYE STREET
BROAD BROOK, CT 06016**

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Monday, February 27, 2023

Meeting ID: 714 897 1799

Passcode: townhall

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7148971799>

*****These minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting*****

Diversity Council Members Present: Ana Rivera (Chair), Richard LeBoriosis (Vice Chair), Joseph Blackwood, Gabriela Resto (joined via Zoom at 7:25pm)

Diversity Council Members Absent: Jonny Wise, Natasha Holmes

Liaison Absent: Alan Baker

Guests: Noreen Farmer, Board of Education

Recording Secretary: Sabo Maniscalco

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Ana Rivera called the Regular Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

2. TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:

Monday, February 27, 2023, 7:00 p.m. in person and via Zoom

3. ESTABLISH QUORUM:

All members are present via Zoom except for Natasha Holmes and Jonny Wise.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Special Meeting Minutes, January 25, 2023

MOTION was made by (Richard LeBoriosis) and **SECONDED** by (Joseph Blackwood) to approve the special meeting minutes for January 25, 2023.

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Motion: **PASSED**

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

6. COMMUNICATIONS:

None

7. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Update: Diversity Equity and Inclusion Workshops

Richard LeBorious: We have a budget of \$5,000 but need to raise between \$7,000 to \$10,000. We will also need money for school. We will apply to Greater Hartford locally and federally.

Ana Rivera: We have \$750. They are looking into setting up a program at the middle school with a stipend to teach Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. We have a guest at our meeting today representing Board of Education – Noreen Farmer.

Noreen Farmer: Principal and Curriculum specialists would have to revise the program. The estimated allocation for this position is \$2,700.

B. Update: Witness Stone Project

Next workshop is at the Elementary School Cafeteria to be held on March 15th at 5pm.

C. Library Displays

Ana Rivera stated Joseph Blackwood will take care of library display at the middle and high schools.

D. National Night Out

Ana Rivera updated the Council on National Night Out.

E. Social Media Engagement.

Ana Rivera stated that Jonny and Natasha have been working on Social Media engagement.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Logo

Ana Rivera: We also have our logo. Jonny designed it with Equity and Inclusion

Gabriella Resto joined the meeting via Zoom at 7:25pm.

9. OPEN DISCUSSION:

Ana Rivera reviewed the agenda. The Crayola did not give the money but shared the license to use colors of the world in a printable format. The decision needs to be made on the pamphlet's content and format.

Gabriella Resto: It would be great to have the contact page on one side and how to get involved on the other.

10. **NEXT MEETING DATE:**

Regular Monthly Meeting, March 20, 2023

11. **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION was made by (Richard LeBorious) and **SECONDED** by (Joseph Blackwood) to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Motion: **PASSED**

Respectfully Submitted,

Sabo Maniscalco, Recording Secretary, Diversity Council