

# COMMUNITY MULTICULTURAL COMMISSION (CMC) MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT: <u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>: <u>STAFF PRESENT</u>:

Jennifer Nguyen, Chair Martha Melaku, Vice-Chair Priscilla Wilson Dassa Giles Minerva Moreno Cheryl Ziriax

Deo Sookdeo Dorothy Brooks Henry Hammons, II

Hubert Hartin <u>GUESTS</u>:

Kaushalya Siriwardana Beth Dattomo Monica Reves Loc Thai

Ricardo Rocha Manjula Shrivastava

Susie Rutherford

## Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Chair Jennifer Nguyen.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion made by Hubert; second by Kausha to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2012 meeting; approved unanimously.

#### **Guest Comments:**

Jennifer introduced Mr. Loc Thai and he shared with the commission that he is willing to write articles on the CMC for the Vietnamese Newspaper. Mr. Thai is the Publisher and Editor for the newspaper as well as the Program Director for the Vietnamese TV Station in Richardson.

We had another guest in attendance, Manjula 'Manju' Shrivastava. She expressed her desire to help the CMC.

### **Chair's Briefing:**

Jennifer expressed her appreciation for everything everyone did during her absence. She would like everyone's help in reaching out to neighbors, friends, families, etc. for the We The People Conference. Everyone needs to send their contacts' information for inclusion in future correspondence. Jennifer will tap into these resources for sponsorships. Dorothy Brooks sent her list of contacts to Jennifer.

## **Staff Briefing:**

Priscilla stressed the importance of submitting any organization and/or individual contact information to Cheryl, in order to send the CMC Letter of Introduction prior to the We The People Conference (WTPC) information.

Priscilla had everyone introduce themselves to Monica Reyes, our newest CMC member.

The newly elected and re-elected councilpersons will take the Oath of Office on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers. They are: District 1 – Marvin 'Tim' Campbell;

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District 4 – B.J. Williams; and re-elected councilperson District 5 – John Willis. There will be a Run Off Election on June 23<sup>rd</sup> for District 2 between Eric Redish and Anita Goebel.

Summer Nutrition Program will take place at 25 sites this summer. All sites are serving lunch and several sites are serving breakfast. Handouts were distributed with a list of sites.

The CMC Budget has approximately \$3,123 left. More than likely, all of it will be used by the end of the fiscal year due to the We The People Conference/Mosaic Festival being held in September this year.

Motion made by Ricardo; second by Deo to purchase a black table cloth that extends to the floor on all sides, has the full-color logo digitally printed with 'Community Multicultural Commission' in white letters, and to obtain the absolute best price; approved unanimously.

## **Committee Reports/Discussion:**

#### Ad hoc Committee

No Report.

## Communication, Learning, Understanding & Education (CLUE)

No Report.

## **Community Services**

No Report.

### **Multicultural Affairs**

- Event Updates
  - o We The People Conference **September 22, 2012** 
    - The timeline of events has been updated as follows (due to decrease in number expected to be Naturalized):
      - 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. Leadership Breakfast (Ballroom of Conference Center)
      - 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Naturalization Ceremony (Lecture Hall of Conference Center)
      - 9:30 a.m. noon Senior Services concurrent workshops (Conference Center Rooms)
      - 11:00 a.m. noon Education Workshops (Lecture Hall of Conference Center
      - Noon 1:00 p.m. Mosaic Festival (Arena Floor Healthy Living Expo side)
    - Chairs have set meeting dates/times and CMC members should have been contacted.
    - The Marketing subcommittee has drafted a flyer for the day of the event and is working on a theme along with other promotional materials.
    - A sponsorship letter is being completed and if you have sponsor or vendor contacts for the event, please let us know so we may send a letter and solicit their assistance.
    - Food vendors participating in this event have to be on the approved vendor list for the event location (Curtis Culwell Center).
    - Several sponsors have already made commitments.

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#### Review Calendar of Events

o Dates of the upcoming meetings were mentioned.

### **CMC Meeting Dates and Future Agenda Items**

- Filipino Community Republic Day Celebration June 2, 2012
- CMC Meeting June 21, 2012
- CMC Meeting July 19, 2012
- Sr. Awareness Day August 4, 2012
- CMC Meeting August 16, 2012
- NAACP Back to School Fair August 25, 2012
- Hispanic Heritage Banquet September 8, 2012
- DFW AACC Annual Banquet September 15, 2012
- CMC Meeting September 20, 2012

#### **Announcements**

Armed Forces Day was celebrated at Firewheel Town Center on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. The Chamber held their Business Expo on Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>.

Jennifer informed the CMC members of the upcoming Filipino Community Republic Day Celebration Banquet on June 2, 2012. She will take care of the cost for any CMC Member that would like to attend the banquet. Any CMC member who would like to attend should email Cheryl.

The DFW AACC Annual Banquet will take place on September 15, 2012. Jennifer will take care of the cost for a table of 10 for the banquet. CMC members who plan to attend should email Cheryl.

#### Adiourn

Motion made by Dorothy; second by Kausha to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Submitted by: Cheryl Ziriax, CMC Secretary

Approved by Committee: June 21, 2012

Approved by: Jennifer Nguyen, CMC Chair