



CITY OF WORCESTER
CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL
MINUTES
CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, November 20, 2014 6:00 PM
Worcester Senior Center

Present: District 5, Steve Genduso, Chairperson
District 1, Coreen Gaffney
District 1, Richard Trifone
District 3, Wilberto Soto
District 4, Theodore Kostas
District 5, Douglas Hannam

Excused: District 3, Tina Baxter

Absent: District 4, Jesse Gibson

Staff: Jeannie Michelson, City Manager's Office
Pamela Callahan, Human Resources Office

1. Steve called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.
2. Steve asked if anyone had questions about the minutes from October 15, 2014.
3. It was motioned to approve the minutes. Minutes were approved.
4. Updated contact list was distributed.
5. Ted asked that his work email be removed (NOTE: Revised contact list attached)
6. Procedure if late or absent from meeting:
 - a. As much notice as possible: Contact Jeannie
 - b. If short notice (48 hours) contact both, Steve and Jeannie
7. Rich asked for clarification about allowing someone to vote on applicants if they arrive late.
 - a. Steve would like this included on the December agenda.
8. Also added to December agenda:
 - a. Nominations/Vote on Vice Chairperson
 - b. Definition of family member as it relates to voting
 - c. Windshield fliers (Jeannie to request approval from City Manager)
 - d. Judy and/or Jessica from Cable Services to schedule filming
9. Outreach Opportunities Held:
 - a. Workforce Development Volunteer Fair: Wilberto said it was not a good turn-out. He will get the schedule to distribute at the December meeting.
 - b. Accent on Ability Radio Show: Steve said it went well and that they asked lots of great questions.
 - c. West African Evening of Awareness: Jeannie said it went well and that a lot of information was distributed. It was apparent that Jesse was talking to the community about the opportunities available.

- d. Opportunities Fair, 11/19/14 –Doug, Jeannie and Pam attended. The turnout was very good. Three (3) applicants actually completed applications, left their resumes and agreed to appear at the meeting tonight.
- 10. Outreach Opportunities Available:
 - a. NAACP meeting Monday 11/24/14 at 6:30pm YWCA Board Room – 2nd Floor Wilberto agreed to attend.
- 11. Smart Goals Update:
 - a. Faith based organization: Jesse – will add this to December business meeting.
- 12. Steve adjourned the business meeting at 6:20pm.
- 13. Steve called the selection portion of the meeting to order at 6:30pm
- 14. Obinna Agonmon – Cable Television – 6 – 0 (removed name from Health)
- 15. Ahmed Ahmed – Cable – (Jim Knowlton informed us that Ahmed was sick and would not be in attendance)
- 16. Sorana Babau – Human Rights – 6 – 0 (removed name from ZBA)
- 17. Michael Baker – GAR Hall – 6 – 0
- 18. Michael Baker – Historical – 6 – 0
- 19. Barin Bandopadhyay – Health – 5 - 1
- 20. Barin Bandopadhyay – CDAC – 4 - 2
- 21. Kathy Chekani – Elder Affairs – 6 – 0
- 22. Edith Claros – Health – 6 – 0
- 23. Dante Comparetto – ZBA - Not at meeting
- 24. Pedro Figueroa – Worcester Arts – 6 – 0
- 25. Leslie Fish – Health – 6 – 0
- 26. William Gauvin – ZBA – 2 – 4
- 27. Izaida Gonzalez – Human Rights – 6 – 0
- 28. David Jordan – Health – 6 – 0
- 29. Greta Kenney – Human Rights – 6 – 0
- 30. Carol Kozlowski – Hope Cemetery – Not at meeting
- 31. Sara Murphy – Worcester Arts – 6 – 0
- 32. Scott Najarian – Health – 6 – 0
- 33. Daniel Nanni – CDAC – Not at meeting
- 34. Martin Shanahan – Health – 6 – 0
- 35. Larry Shetler – CDAC – 6 – 0
- 36. Howard Silver – Health – 6 – 0
- 37. Paula Stuart – CDAC – 6 – 0
- 38. Paula Stuart – ZBA – 3 – 3
- 39. Donna Vayo – Worcester Arts – 6 – 0
- 40. Daniel Whalen – CDAC – 6 – 0
- 41. Lillie Williams – Human Rights – 6 – 0 (removed name from CDAC)
- 42. Matthew Yalouris – CDAC – 6 – 0
- 43. Vanessa Williamson – ZBA – 3 – 3
- 44. Vanessa Williamson – CDAC – 5 – 1
- 45. Vanessa Williamson – Conservation – 2 – 4
- 46. John Barton – Disabilities and Cable – Not at meeting
- 47. Ligerta Vezuli – Health – Not at meeting
- 48. Robert Giorgio – Human Rights – Will attend January Meeting

49. Jacqueline Kostas – CDAC and Elder Affairs – Ted had to recuse himself due to immediate family member, leaving CAC without a quorum. Ms. Kostas to be invited to the December business meeting for interview.
50. The next meeting is a business meeting on December 2, 2014 in the Saxe Room of the Worcester Public Library at 6PM.
51. Meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm

Att: Updated contact list of CAC members

/jmm

Approved 12/2/14