



Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 14, 2021

6:00pm

Zoom

Committee Members Present:

Camryn Lau, Erika Pham, Luis Gonzalez, Rudyane Rivera- Lindstrom, Joni McNeill (6:20pm), Tracy Hester (6:20pm), Fey Gyapong-Porter (6:51pm), Imran Haider, Diane Imel, Jay Edwards, Malak El Manhawym, Santiago Landazuri, Sudeep Taksali (6:29pm), Rudyane Rivera- Lindstrom

Staff Present: Jeanna Troha, Zoe Mombert, Bill Evans, Pat Duke, Shasta Sasser, Steven Engelfried, Kris Ammerman, Dustin Schull, Brian Stevenson, Bill de la Cruz (Facilitator)

Guest Present: Aaron Woods

1. Call to Order; Welcome & Overview of the Meeting

Chair Haider called the meeting to order at 6:16pm

Staff called the roll and a quorum was present.

2. Consent Agenda

Erika Pham made a motion to approve the August 10, 2021 minutes. Jay Edwards seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. Library Presentation

Pat Duke, Shasta Sasser, and Steven Engelfried provided a presentation about the current library programming and services. This discussion included a high level overview of their services including story time, educational offerings, diverse book selections, specifically curated book selections, English conversation classes, and library of things collection. The programming continually evolves to meet the needs of the community.

4. Parks and Recreation Presentation

Kris Ammerman, Dustin Schull and Brian Stevenson presented on parks facilities, programming, and provided a team overview. The staff noted that they provide events that are free as much as possible and try to accommodate people of different abilities. Staff described the Opportunity Grant and a recent grant to the Wilsonville Area Chamber of commerce for their diversity program.

The parks department oversees the collaboration with the Korean War Veterans Association (KWVA) and the Kitakata Sister City Board. The parks team is working with the KWVA on a Korean War interpretive center, which will be located in the Parks Administration Building. The materials will be available in English and Korean.

Staff explained a few successes:

- All accessible park at Murase in Memorial Park
- Raised beds are available at the community garden
- Looking at other parks to improve accessibility
- ADA accessibility plan
- Central bathroom will be installed at Memorial Park(six individual single restrooms)

The committee inquired about programming. City staff provide as much programing as possible but do contract out when needed. The Activity Guide should be reviewed and have an inclusion statement. There was interest in having a table at parks department events to educate the community about the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee's work.

The annual toy drive was also discussed, could this be evaluated to serve more Wilsonville residents?

Parks Team Contact Information:

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Brian Stevenson, Parks Program Manager - stevenson@ci.wilsonville.or.us

Sadie Wallenberg, Information & Referral Specialist - wallenberg@ci.wilsonville.or.us

5. Communications Presentation

Staff provided information about how the City engages with the community. The Communications & Marketing Manager does the majority of the social media content but other departments assist as well. The new City website is ADA compliant.

Ways to engage with the community

- Boones Ferry Messenger
- City Website
 - o Some content is translated to Spanish
 - o Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee page
- Let's Talk Wilsonville
- Facebook
- Nextdoor

Committee members made recommendations including using high school students to translate, provide holidays and events for the next year.

7. Adjourn

Chair Haider adjourned the meeting at 8:12pm.

Next Meeting: October 12, 2021 at 6:00pm