



Mayor's Multicultural Council of Stamford
Mayor's Conference Room – 10th Floor
Government Center, 888 Washington Blvd.
Stamford, CT 06901
November 26, 2018

Our Mission:

To inform, celebrate, promote, understand, appreciate, and respect the many diverse cultures that enrich Stamford

MINUTES

Members Present: Pilar Pelaez, Martin Levine, Deborah Goldberg, Jeré Eaton, Sandra Barrett, Beatrice Chodosh, Eva Weller, and Ana Gallegos.

This meeting was called to order by Chair Pilar Pelaez at 6:25 PM.

Welcome

Chair Pelaez welcomed MMC members and thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Pilar asked MMC members to review and approve the minutes from September 24, 2018. Sandra made a motion to approve the minutes; Beatrice seconded the motion. Minutes were approved with the following correction "421 children were registered representing children from *local area schools*" instead of... *all of Stamford Public Schools.*"

Projects: Election of new treasurer

Jeré asked Marty about renewing the term of Board Members who are not consistently attending meetings. Marty read the MMC By Laws regarding expectations of attendance at meetings. He requested the attendance list and after reading it, Marty stated that particular people represent the constituents. He said he would talk with Chair Pelaez about member contributions and then make decisions. Marty mentioned the importance of having people who would like to be part of the leadership in the MMC. Marty suggested looking for members that represent the Muslim community. He said all those interested should send him their resume.

We proceeded to elect the treasurer. Sandra nominated Jeré, seconded by Deborah. Eva Weller nominee Mera, seconded by Beatrice. The results from the election were: Jeré 6 votes and Mera 1 vote. Jeré was elected treasurer.

New Business

It was agreed to have a Holiday party. The proposed dates were: December 17, 18, 19. Pilar will talk with Shelly about the availability of place and dates, which will be decided by the majority.

Sandra and Jeré stated that they would like to coordinate and present for the second year the Open Mic event. They will present their proposal at the next meeting. Eva W. mentioned looking at the budget to see what the MMC can do.

Pilar reminded everyone to present a proposal of projects to be approved by the Board.

Open Discussion:

Deborah invited the MMC to attend these different events:

1. Inspiring exhibit of a Visual Display of the Impact of Israel on the World, through Dec. 12th
2. Flag Raising honoring and recognizing the 70th year of the State of Israel on Monday, Dec. 3rd at 10:00 am at the Government Center.

Beatrice informed that CRISOL & Quetzal are organizing a Coat Drive for day laborers at B1C.

Next Meeting:

January 28, 2019 at 6:00 PM. Government Center 10th floor.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Submitted by: Ana Gallegos, Secretary