

**Mayor's Multicultural Council**  
Meeting Minutes  
September 3, 2015

**Opening:**

A special meeting of the MMC was called to order at 7:04 p.m. on September 3, 2015 on the 10<sup>th</sup> floor conference room located at 888 Washington Blvd., Stamford, CT by: Jere Eaton.

**Members Present (Bolded):** Nino Antonelli, Meera Banta, **Sandra Barrett**, Goiton Bellete, **Jere Eaton**, Arbis Faustin, Robert Figueroa, **Jeanne Franklin**, **Deborah Goldberg**, Paul Isla, John Leydan, John Mallozzi, Shelly Nichani, **Eva Padilla**, Pilar Pelaez, Mayra Rios, Galdino Velasco, Eva Weller

**Guest** – Rose McInerney, Mack Quinones

**Approval of Minutes:** Tabled

**Chairman's Report: See attached**

- Bylaws – submitted for approval to the Mayor's office for final approval
- Race discussion – Ferguson Library, 10/29/15 @ 6:00pm, Professor Yohuru Williams as moderator and Lynn Sullivan as panel participant
- MLK All about Education Day – 1/16/2016, still vetting venues
- Resignation – John Leydon
- Vacancy – still looking for a secretary
- Newspaper Article – relating to black owned restaurant had inaccurate quotations and incorrect data regarding tracking of state spending on MBEs

**Old Business:**

- Children's Parade:
  - ~Flyers should be shared with members before printing
  - ~Process needs to be look at for uniformity/clarity
  - ~United Stamford (US) Day – guest elaborated on what will take place on the day, 9/20/15. US Day, as explained, is revolving around children and family in empowering them through educational opportunities for healthy living and multicultural heritage.
- Food for kids without money – organize food area after the parade
- House of Worship – still needs to continue with this initiative

**New Business:**

- Share Facebook link - US Day
- Being 12 – How do you feel about race?
- Art display in Old Town Hall – people are interested, Rosa-Columbian artist is willing to help. Tentative date in November. To be help at the Palace Theater, doors open to the community. Need budget for the event
- Black Lives Matter – great turnout; Norwalk also wants to do an event

- Citywide Softball (2016) – 20 districts – partners in district. If you are not playing, be willing to coach or cheerlead

**Other events: Activities -**

- Flyers of the different activities will be sent via email from each informant

**Next Meeting:** October 19, 2015

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.