

Mayor's Multicultural Council

Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2013

Opening:

The regular meeting of the MMCC was called to order at 6:45 p.m. on February 4, 2013 on the 6th floor conference room located at 888 Washington Blvd., Stamford, CT by Chair – Nino Antonelli.

Present: Jeanne Franklin, Goitom Beuete, Eva Padilla and Sandra Barrett.

Excused: Ramon Bentley, Mayra Rios, Debbie Goldberg, Sebastian DeCunto

Guest: Enrique Lopez (Rick)

A. Approval of Minutes

Voted 1 – 2013: Accept October and November minutes.

B. Chairman's Report

- Community Emergency Response Team – looking for volunteers who speak different languages. There is a 20 hour course that has to be taken two Saturday and three nights – Nino to send out application – age 21 and up
- Chinese New Year is coming up February 12, 2013
- MLK program was successful
- MLK weekend – Jack Bryant will still have the concert – more information to follow

C. Old Business

- My Neighbor's Faith in high schools – Westhill - 5/21/13; Stamford – 5/29 &/or 5/30
- Flags around the world – park is coming along. Official opening is scheduled for May. Flyers to come later

D. New Business

- Gate Keeper movie – still waiting for more information from Jules
- International Festival – June; Mayor asked to have an international food, music, and a concert at night. Nino to meet with Downtown Special Service – all proceeds to go to the purchase of the flags
- Sister city request – Peru is completed; Ecuador, Morocco, Ukraine, 2 in Italy (the Mayor will make a choice on which ones he will engage).
- Intake – organization run by Angie – promote indigenous music. February 10 is a fundraiser scholarship which will be held at Stamford High School – cost of \$10

E. Open discussion

- Upcoming events (see attached)

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. by Chair. The next general meeting will be at 6:30 on January 28, 2013.

Up coming events

- March 8, 2013 – International Women’s weekend
- April 7, 2013 – Commemoration of Yom Hashoah