

# Recap of the Hillsborough County Diversity Advisory Council (DAC) Meeting July 11, 2018

July 11, 2018 Hillsborough County Diversity Advisory Council meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chair Perry. Members present: Chair Perry, Yvette Jones, Mathew Chernesky, Jennifer Shiver, Alvin Jin, Lynnette Stine, Sabrina Griffith, Conchita Burpee, David McCallister, Raed Khawaja, and Marta Pearson. Members absent: Reham Fared (Notified), Edelyn Verona (Notified), Vice Chair Patel (Notified), Terrence Kemple (Did not Notify), Sean Colin (Did not Notify), and Jermaine White (Did not Notify). There was a quorum present. Staff present: Tony Morejon, Office of Community Affairs, Albert Coleman, EOA/Office of Community Affairs.

## **Visitors: 3**

**Public Comment:** Latonya Richards was there regarding an invoice that she sent in for water provided at the One Hillsborough Diversity Fest. Mr. Morejon replied that the payment had already been sent through the accounting system.

## **Old Business:**

**Approval of June 6, 2018 Meeting Recap:** Ms. Pearson stated that the minutes did not mention the statement she made regarding shelters, and that they would no longer be called shelters, that we needed to secure the new name. Ms. Shiver stated that she did not make a motion to set up a subcommittee to meet with Mr. Cooke. A motion was made by Ms. Pearson to approve June 6, 2018 meeting recap as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chernesky. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

## **New Business:**

**Sensory Friendly Shelters Discussion:** There was discussion regarding the Sensory Friendly Shelters. Ms. Shiver stated that she went to the meeting held at the Lighthouse for the Blind and that they thought that those shelters existed, but they don't. The decision was made to meet with Mr. Cooke first and see what he advises and what can be done from their end.

Mr. Morejon commented on the Council maybe taking two months off for the summer. It wouldn't happen this year, but for the future. Many of the Boards and Councils already do this.

**Subcommittee for Community Meetings:** Ms. Pearson mentioned that the subcommittee was not able to have a meeting. She did inquire with the libraries regarding video recording and they do not offer that. She suggested maybe doing audio recording.

## **Announcements:**

Mr. McCallister stated that he attended the June 20<sup>th</sup> BOCC meeting.

Mr. Khawaja announced that next month would be his last meeting. He will not be reapplying.

Ms. Stine stated that this Friday from 5 PM – 9 PM, the Italian Club would be hosting a Buffett Dinner for \$13.

Ms. Shiver announced that the Holocaust Museum will be free on July 12<sup>th</sup>.

Chair Perry attended the Lee Davis NSC Re-Entry Expo.

Ms. Burpee stated that the new DAC flyer cards are being proofed.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Ms. Pearson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Stine. Meeting adjourned 7:25 pm by Chair Perry.

Next Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 1, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.