

Recap of the Hillsborough County Diversity Advisory Council (DAC) Meeting

Virtual Meeting

August 5, 2020

August 5, 2020 Hillsborough County Diversity Advisory Council meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Griffith. Members present: Chair Griffith, Matthew Chernesky, Melissa Braswell, Jamal Abadi, David Queen, Angela Birdsong, Marcia Minutello, Norma Henning, Nan Park, Rosalie Smith, Virgil Perry, and Majid Vasigh. Members absent: Yvette Jones, Debbie Crockett, and Janelle Khargie. There was a quorum present.

Staff present: Albert Coleman, EOA/Office of Community Affairs and Eli Rodriguez, Office of Community Affairs, James Brewer, Communications & Digital Media Services, and Zac Atwood, Communications & Digital Medical Services.

New Business:

Special Speakers SA Warren and Sheriff Chronister

Donna Luszczynski, Chief Deputy, Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office joined the meeting on behalf of Sheriff Chronister to speak to the DAC members regarding work being done by the Sheriff's Office. There was a question and answer session after she spoke.

SA Joseph Warren, State Attorney's Office joined the meeting to speak to the DAC members regarding work being done by his office. There was a question and answer session after he spoke.

New Business:

Introduction of New Member David Queen

Public Comment: Chair Griffith read out public comment from Joseph McLennan

Old Business:

Approval of Recap from the June 10, 2020 Virtual Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Perry to approve the June 10, 2020 meeting Recap. The motion was seconded by Matthew Chernesky. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

Announcements:

Mr. Perry announced that it was his last meeting. His term has ended on the Board.

Ms. Braswell wants for the DAC to encourage people to do the Census.

Mr. Abadi spoke regarding the explosion in Lebanon. He stated that thoughts and prayers are appreciated.

Ms. Smith announced that Safe and Sound Hillsborough has partnered with the Children's Board to do a screening on August 6th, for the documentary No Small Matter.

Mr. Vasigh wanted to inform the DAC if anyone knows of any young people to join the New Leaders Council, which is a non-profit organization.

Adjournment: Chair Griffith adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Next Council meeting is scheduled for November 4, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.