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THE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY CENTER
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BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018 - 6:30PM

MINUTES

PRESENT

- Ms. Elaine Sacks
- Ms. Candace E. Wicks
- Ms. Johnnie Goins
- Ms. Venester J. Haywood
- Ms. LaSheryl L. Walker
- Ms. Dianne Gibson
- Rev. Donna Slater
- Mr. Josh Cogan

ABSENT

- Mr. Derrick Nutall
- Ms. Althea A. Harrington

VACANT POSITIONS

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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY CENTER STAFF PRESENT

- Pamela R. Jones, Center Manager
- LaRhonda Bacon, Coordinator II

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME/INVOCATION

The meeting was called to order at 6:32PM by Ms. Haywood who welcomed everyone to the meeting. The invocation was completed by Rev. Slater.

ROLL CALL

The roll call was completed and the sign-in sheet will serve as notice of roll call.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Gibson made the motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Wicks second the motion. The board approved.

SPECIAL EVENTS

A. 2018 MLK Celebration Weekend

Ms. Jones reported that the entire weekend was well received and deemed the largest MLK Day Parade in the nation by Fox 4 News. It was truly a banner year for attendance at all events for the weekend. At this time there have been no complaints or concerns regarding the weekend, just a request for more activities in 2019. We hope to start early in search of 2019's keynote speaker and committee. Ms. Gibson made a motion that Ms. LaSheryl Walker work as committee chair for 2019 MLK Celebration Week. The motion was second by Ms. Wicks, and motion was carried and approved by the board.

B. Black History Month Celebration

Ms. Jones reported that we had a full house for the Black History Month Celebration of Hidden Figures Panel. The ChildCareGroup, Rev. Slater, and Ms. Haywood were a part

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of the program. The Barack Obama Leadership Academy and Madison High School students were very instrumental in a strong panel discussion. The panelists were phenomenal and Mr. Carter performed the I Have a Dream speech with a twist of Dallas highlights. The participation from the community was awesome, making for a great event for 2018.

C. AIDS Walk South Dallas

Ms. Jones reported that the event will be Saturday, March 24, 2018, with the Opening Ceremony starting at 9:15am starting at MLK Center. Ms. Wicks is the chair for that event and always works to have great coverage of the event. This will be the third year for this event to be at the center.

D. Community Easter Egg Hunt

Ms. Jones reported that this year we will have a Community Easter Egg Hunt. In the past it has always been an event that we had for the ChildCareGroup students. The theme this year is financial literacy, so we are inviting different banks and SMU to help with this event. This will be a family event with lots of fun and education for the complete family. The event will take place Friday, March 30, 2018 at the center from 12:00pm-2:00pm.

E. MLK Remembrance Service

Ms. Jones reported that the event will be April 4, 2018 in front of the statue at 6:00pm. We are still working on the event and will have a final flyer completed once the event activities are confirmed. Rev. Slater will be the chair of the 2018 MLK Remembrance Services.

AD HOC COMMITTEE

NA

CENTER MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Jones presented the December 2017 and January 2018 report.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS/COMMENTS

NA

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Haywood adjourned the meeting at 7:30pm. Ms. Wicks made the motion and Ms. Gibson second the motion to adjourn. The board approved.

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