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BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018 - 6:30PM

CITY SECRETARY
DALLAS, TEXASMINUTESPRESENT

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

ABSENT

Mr. Derrick Nutall
 Ms. Althea Harrington
 Ms. Dianne Gibson

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 6:37PM by Ms. Haywood, who welcomed everyone to the meeting. The invocation was completed by Rev. Slater.

ATTENDANCE

The roll call was completed by LaRhonda Bacon, minutes will reflect that at 6:37pm Venester Haywood, Elaine Sacks, Candace Wicks, LaSheryl Walker, Donna Slater and Josh Cogan were present. Johnnie Goins joined the meeting at 7:03pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Cogan made the motion to approve the minutes and MS. Sacks second the motion. The board approved.

SPECIAL EVENTS

A. AIDS Walk South Dallas

Ms. Wicks reported that the event was held on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at MLK Center. There was a total of four (4) board members present for the event Ms. Wicks, Mr. Cogan, Ms. Gibson, and Ms. Harrington. The event was a success, and well organized this year. There were 500 attendees throughout the morning of the event. Ms. Wicks stated that she would like to continue working with this event for 2019. Ms. Jones also added that the organizer has already reached out to the center to work on dates for 2019.

B. Community Easter Egg Hunt

Ms. Jones reported that this year's Community Easter Egg Hunt was cancelled. However, we still served 200 children that showed up at the center with an Easter bag of

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eggs and candy. Ms. Jones stated that for 2019 we will work closely with ChildCare Group for 2019 to ensure that those children are present as well as the community.

C. MLK Remembrance Service

Rev. Slater reported that the event was April 4, 2018 in front of the statue at 6:00pm. Thanks to fellow board members Mr. Cogan, Ms. Wicks, Ms. Harrington, Ms. Sacks, and Ms. Haywood for your attendance. The event was perfect, the speaker, the entertainment and those in attendance. The attendance was close to 250. The media coverage was great and a good amount of coverage from media. Those that attended were very pleased and receptive to the event. Ms. Haywood stated that the gathering of the guest after the event. That Councilman Felder was present, guest mingled and visited programs within the center that were open during the event.

D. Meet & Greet/Volunteer Appreciation

Ms. Jones reported that this event will take place on this Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 6:30pm. During this event it will be our Open House, Volunteer Appreciation and Ribbon cutting ceremony for the Beautification Project. This is a time for us to Thank you to current and previous partners and volunteers, and hopefully gain new partners and volunteers.

E. Cinco de Mayo

Ms. Jones reported that this is a joint event with West Dallas Multipurpose Center and will take place on Friday, May 4, 2018 10:30am-2:00pm at West Dallas Multipurpose Center. There will be speakers which include Councilman Narvaez and entertainment during the event. Ms. Sacks is the chair for this event.

F. Can We Talk

Ms. Jones reported that this event will take place on Wednesday, May 30, 2018 10am-2pm at the Center for Community Co-Operation in the Meadows Conference Center. Mr. Cogan is the chair of this event. This event is to bring all the different social service agencies together as a networking event. This is an opportunity for more collaborations to assist clients to become self-sufficient.

G. MLK Multicultural Affair

Ms. Jones reported that the 3rd Annual MLK Multicultural Affair, and it is a fundraiser. We need sponsors to have this event. If we do not secure a sponsor, we will not have the event for 2018.

H. Juneteenth Festival

Ms. Jones reported that this event will take place on Tuesday, June 19, 2018 2:00pm-7:00pm. We need sponsors to have this event. If we do not secure a sponsor, we will not have the event for 2018.

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I. 2019 MLK Celebration

Ms. Jones reported that for 2019 MLK Celebration Planning Committee had their first meeting on April 9, 2018. There was a very good turnout and this group is ready to work. The next meeting for the committee will be Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:30pm here at the center and it will be the last date to accept committee members.

CENTER MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Jones presented the March 2018 report.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS/COMMENTS

Ms. Sacks made a motion that a written invite be sent for the attendance of Jessica Galleshaw and/or Nadia Chandler Hardy to meet with board members on April 30, 2018 or May 7, 2018 to discuss the budget, events and fundraisers for the MLK Jr. Community Center. Rev. Slater second the motion. The board approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Haywood adjourned the meeting at 7:52pm. Ms. Goins made the motion and Ms. Wicks second the motion to adjourn. The board approved.

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