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 BOARD MEETING

CITY SECRETARY
DALLAS, TEXAS

MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2017 - 6:30PM

MINUTESPRESENT

Dr. Michael W. Waters
 Ms. Candice E. Wicks
 Mr. Nathan Rogers
 Ms. Johnnie Goins
 Mr. Stephen G. Foster
 Rev. Donna Slater
 Mr. John Paul Lewis
 Mrs. Karissa N. Madison
 Ms. Elaine Sacks
 Mr. Kevin Malonson
 Ms. Dianne Gibson
 Ms. Venester J. Haywood

ABSENTVACANT 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 6:40PM by Dr. Michael W. Waters 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. Wicks made the motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Gibson seconded the motion. The board approved.

SPECIAL EVENTS

A. AIDS Walk South Dallas

Ms. Jones reported that this is a partnership with the community group and it will be there second year having it at the center. This event will take place here on our campus Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 8:00am with the walk starting at 10:00am. There will be various health and community vendors available, and the event is open to everyone attending. Ms. Wicks, who also volunteered as the chair, stated that Rolling Out Magazine will be here in Dallas to cover the event.

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B. Remembrance Service

Ms. Jones reported that this year the Alpha Phi Alpha chapter that partner with us for the Candle Lighting Ceremony is partnering with us for this event. The event will take place on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 5:15pm at the statue. We are working on the keynote speaker, waiting for confirmation from our entertainment choices, and will have light refreshments after the program. Dr. Waters reported that we must keep in mind that next year in 2018 it will be the 50th Anniversary of the Assassination of Dr. King.

C. MLK Open House

Ms. Jones reported that this event is to say thank you to our current sponsors and invite potential sponsors and donors out to visit the campus. Everyone we ask, year after year, for assistance in carrying out the cultural events and social service needs that we have each year. This is an opportunity for the sponsors and donors to come and tour the campus and see how they are helping the center help other people in need, and for those looking to experience the different cultural events. The Open House will take place on Thursday, April 13, 2017 from 6:00pm-7:30pm. All buildings and tenants will be open and present on that night.

D. Easter Egg Hunt

Ms. Jones reported that we will have our center Easter Egg Hunt on Friday, April 14, 2017. This is an opportunity for the entire campus to interact with the children on campus. This year the ChildCareGroup will be making the day more of a festival with lunch and crafts on the grassy area of the center.

E. Volunteer Appreciation Day

Ms. Jones reported that this event will take place on Thursday, April 20, 2017. We will provide lunch, a certificate of appreciation, and a small token of appreciation. We will have everything set up in the Social Services area in room 135. The board also requested that a letter be added to the volunteers from the board chair to the volunteers.

F. Cinco de Mayo

Ms. Jones reported that this event will be a joint event with West Dallas Multipurpose Center and take place on that campus. The event is still in the planning stages and we will notify the board as soon as possible of the logistics of the event. In the past year, the MLK Center was responsible for the activities to the seniors and daycare students.

G. MLK Multicultural Affair

Ms. Jones reported that the event will be held at the Frontiers of Flight Museum on Friday, May 26, 2017 at 7:00pm until 12:00midnight. The interest in the second annual fundraiser has been great and we are looking forward to the participation of our sponsors. We will keep with the white theme for attire and a flat fee for all attendees. We will not have a VIP area for 2017 but have contacted the following cultural groups for entertainment: Asian, Polynesian, and African dancers. We are currently working to see which radio station will be our partner for the emcees and DJ.

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H. Juneteenth Celebration

Ms. Jones reported that the Annual Juneteenth Celebration will take place on Monday, June 19, 2017 at 2:00pm until 7:00pm. We will work to have applications available on May 1, 2017. This event is still in the planning stages.

DR. JERRY CHAMBERS REMEMBRANCE

Mr. Foster reported that the event that was set for March 17, 2017 has now been canceled. But, that the funds had been raised and will be presented to the student on Friday, May 19, 2017 during the Senior Awards program. The scholarship going forward will be attached to the essay contest for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration.

AD HOC COMMITTEE

Ms. Haywood reported no new business at this time but introduced an idea to the board to help connect more young business professionals to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center. This could help the center and board with the many financial needs of the events, and keep the center relevant to the citizens.

CENTER MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Jones presented the February 2017 center manager's report as well as the 2017-2018 MLK Events listing. This list was also used for board members to decide which event they will work as the chair. The final 2017 MLK Celebration Budget was presented and the board requested a breakdown of the expenditures to be emailed to each board member. The board was also presented with available weeks to complete their training. The board will have a complete training with City Secretary Office personnel and outside facilitators to continue to help the center maintain its visibility.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS/COMMENTS

NA

BOARD CHAIR UPDATES

Dr. Waters requested that the board continue to brainstorm as to how we can effectively help to change the perception of poverty that has become the normal association with Dallas.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm. Ms. Goins made the motion and Ms. Gibson seconded the motion to adjourn. The board approved.

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