



**City of Dallas**

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMUNITY CENTER  
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
Monday, November 21, 2022, 6:30PM**

Agenda #221073

Location: City Hall | 1500 Marilla Street | Dallas, TX 75201 **CR City Hall 6ES**

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Presiding: Mrs. Clara Brown-Trimble

**PRESENT**

Ms. Elaine Sacks – District 1  
Dr. Zandra Mendenhall – District 2  
Ms. Candace E. Wicks – District 3/Vice Chair  
Mrs. Ann Williams – District 4  
Mr. Jesse Tafalla, Jr. – District 5  
Mrs. Jessica Jolly – District 7  
Mrs. Shlawnda Celestine – District 8  
Mr. Kelly Drake – District 9  
Mrs. Clara Brown-Trimble – District 10/Chair  
Dr. Jose Dela Cruz – District 11  
Mr. Michael Ross – District 12  
Mr. Cannon Brown – District 14  
Ms. Betty Carter Hooley – District 15

**ABSENT**

N/A

**VACANT**

District 6  
District 13

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY CENTER STAFF PRESENT**

LaRhonda Bacon, Supervisor  
Pamela R. Jones, Center Manager

**CITY OF DALLAS PRESENT**

Dr. Jamel Slaughter, Program Administrator  
Jessica Galleshaw, Director

**COMMUNITY PRESENT**

N/A

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Chair Brown-Trimble called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

INVOCATION/OPENING STATEMENT

Board Member Jolly prayed for everyone, the community, and the decorum of the meeting. Board Chair Brown-Trimble welcomed everyone.

ADVISORY BOARD & CITY STAFF ROLL CALL

Roll call was completed by LaRhonda Bacon.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Brown-Trimble called for a motion to approve the minutes. Board Member Williams made a motion to approve the October 2022 minutes. Board Member Sacks seconded the motion. The Board approved.

2022 ANNUAL REPORT DUE FEBRUARY 1, 2023

Chair Brown-Trimble stated that the board's annual report will be due February 1, 2023. She turned it over to Board Member Drake. Board Member Drake reported that the committee is compiling information for the report. The goal of the committee is to have the draft ready for the December 2022 meeting.

2023 MLK CELEBRATION WEEK UPDATE

Chair Brown-Trimble turned it over to Dr. Slaughter. Dr. Slaughter stated that sponsorship packet has been released and shared; we are asking that each board member shares with their network. We have currently confirmed about \$20,000 in sponsorship and we look forward to more coming in. We need assistance with the scholarships; we have received about 10 completed applications with 51 in process. We will send a reminder for the applications to be completed by deadline date. The gala tickets are available and open for sale for both single ticket and table purchases. The Trailblazer award letter has been sent and Vice Chair Wicks stated that the family does intend to participate in the gala and other celebration activities.

2023 MLK FEST MURAL DISCUSSION & VOTE

Dr. Slaughter reported that we received the draft and here is the proposal for the mural on the trellis near the MLK Fresh Produce Distribution area. Our partner, The Walls Group, is providing the expenses and the artist for the mural. After much discussion, Board Member Drake made a motion to accept the mural design as presented. Vice Chair Wicks seconded the motion. The board approved.

2022 CENTER CULTURAL EVENTS

The MLK Fresh Produce Distribution served 2,082 families during the month of October at both locations. The distribution is still taking place every Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at the Park South YMCA and there are new hours at the center. The new hours are Monday – Thursday 10 a.m.-12noon. All board members and citizens are encouraged to volunteer and help plan the many cultural events; you can get that information online at [www.dallasmlkcenter.com](http://www.dallasmlkcenter.com).

Legal Aid of NW Texas has returned to the building, and they will see the first 30 people on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The Rally Against Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault on Saturday, October 22, 2022, at 11 a.m.-1 p.m. was a success and there were over 100 in attendance. Treat the building for our ChildCare Group students on Friday, October 28, 2022, at 10 a.m. was a success, serving 105 students with treats and a funhouse experience. The Harambee Festival on Saturday, October 29, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. had over 1,000 in attendance. The event was very successful and allowed families to enjoy entertainment, health

screenings, and many selling vendors and we also honored the Mother of Juneteenth, Ms. Opal Lee. Day of the Dead on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 6 p.m.-8 p.m. was the first time for this event with over 100 in attendance. Families and friends enjoyed the movie Coco, the teaching of the day, and food presented. Day of Dignity was on Saturday, November 5, 2022, at 10am-12noon, which was a great event that served many. The Thanksgiving Basket Drive Thru was Saturday, November 19, 2022, at 10am-12noon, and we served 420 families. The upcoming Winter Warm-Up is on Saturday, December 17, 2022, at 10am-12noon; we opened the registration and it filled all 800 slots in fifteen minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Wicks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Board Member Sacks seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Drafted by:

  
Signature

LaRhonda Bacon  
Printed name

12/19/2022  
Date

Approved by:

 12-19-22  
Signature Date

Clara Brown-Trimble; Chair  
MLK Advisory Board

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