

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY CARE
 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY CENTER
 ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
 2922 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. BLVD, BUILDING A - ACTIVITY ROOM A
 MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2018 - 6:30PM

MINUTES

PRESENT

Ms. Elaine Sacks
 Ms. Candace E. Wicks
 Ms. Johnnie Goins
 Ms. Venester J. Haywood
 Ms. Althea Harrington
 Rev. Donna Slater
 Mr. Josh Cogan

ABSENT

Ms. Dianne Gibson
 Ms. LaSheryl L. Walker

VACANT POSITIONS

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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY CENTER STAFF PRESENT

LaRhonda Bacon, Coordinator II

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME/INVOCATION

The meeting was called to order at 6:45PM 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 6:45pm Venester Haywood, Elaine Sacks, Candace Wicks, Rev. Donna Slater, Johnnie Goins, Althea Harrington, and Josh Cogan were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT – OVERVIEW

No one present from City Attorney's office for meeting.

SPECIAL EVENTS

A. Meet & Greet/Volunteer Appreciation

Mrs. Bacon reported that this event took place on Thursday, April 19, 2018, at 6:30pm. The reported attendance for this event was 175. It went over very well, and we were able to gain more sponsorship support from community during the event.

B. Cinco de Mayo

Ms. Sacks reported that this was a joint event with West Dallas Multipurpose Center and took place on Friday, May 4, 2018, from 10:30am-2:00pm at the West Dallas

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Multipurpose Center. This was a very nice event that included Councilman Narvaez, City Attorney, and other public figures and entertainment during the event. The attendance for this event was 125.

C. Can We Talk

Mrs. Bacon reported that this event took place on Wednesday, May 30, 2018, from 10am-2pm at the Center for Community Co-Operation in the Meadows Conference Center. The event was phenomenal, the room size was for 100 but we had an attendance of 125 social workers from the Dallas Ft. Worth metroplex. The comment cards from the event were very encouraging and for the most part the social workers stated that they would attend again because they had fun while learning.

D. Beat the Heat

Mrs. Bacon reported that the Beat the Heat Press Conference was on Friday, June 1, 2018. Both the West Dallas Multipurpose Center and MLK Center are supported by Reliant NRG for this event. The cooling center for MLK Center is setup in the Public Breakroom and is open and receiving citizens. That station will be open Monday-Friday 9am-4pm and Saturday 8am-3pm and will run through Saturday, September 29, 2018.

E. Juneteenth Festival

Mrs. Bacon reported that this event will take place on Tuesday, June 19, 2018, from 3:00pm-7:00pm. We have a total of 43 vendors that will be in attendance. Due to the ongoing beautification of the campus, this event will take place closer to Pennsylvania Avenue. Miles of Freedom is a continued partner with this event, the local radio and television stations will be on campus.

F. Back to School

Mrs. Bacon reported that the Back to School Festival will take place Friday, August 17, 2018, from 11am-2pm. Already confirmed for sponsorship are Reliant NRG and Capital One, and our continued partnership with Miles of Freedom and Carter's House. We are preparing to serve 3,000 students this year.

MLK BUDGET UPDATE

Rev. Slater presented the information gained from her meeting with Mrs. Hardy and Ms. Galleshaw. This meeting was to discuss the remaining funds that were raised during the 2018 MLK Celebration. Rev. Slater reminded them of the importance of implementing the Center's mission, which is found on the City of Dallas website. We discussed the importance of not being absent the rest of the year with events and services to the community. At the end of the meeting it was approved that we can use our funds to support the MLK Juneteenth Celebration and Back to School Festival.

CENTER MANAGER'S REPORT

Mrs. Bacon presented the April and May 2018 report.

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CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Haywood adjourned the meeting at 7:43pm. Ms. Wicks made the motion and Ms. Sacks second the motion to adjourn. The board approved.

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