

CITY OF ELLENSBURG

**Minutes of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
Commission Meeting**

Date of Meeting

November 8, 2022

Time of Meeting

3:00 PM

Place of Meeting

Council Chambers, 501 North Anderson St.

Ellensburg, WA 98926

And remotely via Zoom

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Roll Call Present: Kandee Cleary, Teresa Divine, Alex Mandujano, Daniel Amos, Mayra Colazo, and Nancy Goodloe (Chair)

Absent: Tylene Carnell

Also present: Nicole Klauss, Public Information Officer (Recording Secretary); Maureen Rust, CWU Libraries; and Josephine Camarillo, Library Director.

2. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Cleary moved to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Amos seconded the motion. The amendment was to bump Cultural Conversations presentation up so Library Director Josephine Camarillo could make it to the Library Board meeting. **Motion Approved 5-0.**

3. Approval of Minutes from October 11, 2022 Meeting

Commissioner Cleary moved to approve the October 11, 2022 meeting minutes. Commissioner Divine seconded the motion. There was no discussion. **Motion Approved 5-0.**

4. Previous Meeting Motions And To-Do List Review

The Commission reviewed the previous meeting motions.

Daniel will finalize first collaboration with CWU and City library about the Japanese American WWII heroes event. **The event will be May 3-June 10, 2023. Daniel has communicated the DEI Commission's desire to be involved.**

Mayra will talk to contacts about plans for Cinco de Mayo. **Mayra reached out to CWU's Diversity and Equity Center and MEChA, but hasn't heard any updates.**

Nancy will collaborate with ESD and offer first community conversation event/World Café. **Not complete. Event is scheduled for November 12, 2022 from 3-5 p.m. at Hal Holmes Community Center. Additional facilitators are needed.**

Nancy will review subcommittees and individual responsibilities to commission. **Not complete. Move to December agenda for new business.**

Nancy will discuss what to do with remaining funding for. **Not complete. We still have additional funds. Move to December agenda for new business.**

Nicole needs to set up time for two commissioners to go to another commission meeting. **In progress. Commissioners need to sign up for dates.**

Teresa and Mayra will set first meeting to plan participation in 2023 farmers market. **Not complete. Teresa and Mayra got an email response from the Farmers Market director and are waiting to set a meeting to discuss the plan.**

Teresa will meet with CWU Day of Action Committee. **Not complete. Planning is ongoing. The event is planned for May 11, 2023 from 1-5 p.m. The block party will start at 5 p.m.**

Tylene will finalize sponsorship of Pride 2023. **No update.**

5. Presentation About Cultural Conversations

Library Director Josephine Camarillo and Maureen Rust with CWU Libraries presented on Cultural Conversations, an event that explores different cultures. They requested one member of the DEI Commission serve on the planning committee. Commissioner Mandujano volunteered to be on the planning committee as a representative of the DEI Commission.

6. Subcommittee Reports

Commissioners Amos, Colazo, and Mandujano met to discuss the listening tours. They are proposing two listening tours with Hispanic (Latine, Latinx) populations, and are considering January for dates. They will meet again to discuss what they want to do with the listening tour results afterward, and what structural work needs to be done with the listening tours.

Klauss will send the 2020 listening tour report and additional listening tour recaps to the subcommittee for review.

7. Commission Member Reports

None.

8. New Business

Commissioner Cleary moved to approve the talking points for meetings with other City boards and commissions. Commissioner Amos seconded the motion. There was discussion about the dimensions of diversity chart and that it was included as a reference for DEI Commissioners to use while talking; it is not going to be shared with other commissions. **Motion approved: 5-0**

Commissioners volunteered for visits to other commissions. Nicole will send out updated schedule and commissioners can fill in the gaps. There should be two people per visit.

Klauss reported the City is applying for the Bicycle Friendly Community Application and there is a new section that includes questions about equity. Klauss requested a member of the DEI Commission assist with that portion of the application. Commissioners Divine and Colazo will help Klauss with the DEI portion of the application.

9. Staff Report

Klauss reminded members of the World Café on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 3-5 p.m. at Hal Holmes.

Klauss said the City Council will be revisiting the proclamation request process sometime in the future.

Chair Goodloe mentioned the Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Nov. 23 and encouraged commission members interested in volunteering to contact Katelyn at the Adult Activity Center.

10. Public Comment

None.

11. Preview Next Meeting

Goodloe reviewed items that will be on the next agenda:

- Determine if there is something to put remaining 2022 funding toward.
- Revisit the priority list established at the retreat.
- Listening Tour Subcommittee Updates

The January meeting will include a discussion about funding and members should start thinking about funding requests for projects.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Nicole Klauss

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