

PUBLIC MINUTES CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND RACE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

September 8, 2016, 12:07 p.m. Committee Room E, Ground Floor, City Hall

PRESENT: Ms. C. Laliberte, Chair

Mr. C. Sicotte, Vice-Chair

Councillor A. Iwanchuk, at 12:13 p.m.

Ms. J. Gaudry Mr. D. Isbister Ms. N. Javed Ms. S. Ross

Mr. S. Sambasivam Mr. H. Sangwais Mr. D. Santosi Dr. J. Swidrovich

Ms. J. Yu

ABSENT: Ms. S. Clarke

Mr. T. Salah

Superintendent B. Shalovelo

Ms. M. Soonias Ali Ms. K. Wuttunee

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Aboriginal Relations G. Dorval

Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Coordinator

B. Sasakamoose Kuffner, at 12:13 p.m.

Immigration, Diversity and Inclusion Consultant A. Sora

Committee Assistant J. Fast

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: J. Swidrovich

- 1. That Item 5.2 be considered prior to Item 5.1;
- 2. That a verbal report of the Director of Aboriginal Relations be added as Item 5.3; and
- 3. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

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3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: C. Sicotte

That the minutes of regular meeting of the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee held on May 12, 2016, be adopted.

CARRIED

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

5. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

5.2 Report of the Immigration, Diversity and Inclusion Consultant [File No. CK. 100-21]

The Committee Assistant submitted a report of the Immigration, Diversity and Inclusion Consultant.

Immigration, Diversity and Inclusion Consultant Sora reviewed her submitted report and highlighted some of the events noted in the report including the Walk for Reconciliation and World Refugee Day.

Councillor Iwanchuk and Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Coordinator Sasakamoose Kuffner entered the meeting at 12:13 p.m.

Moved By: C. Sicotte

That the information be received.

CARRIED

5.1 Report of the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Coordinator [File No. CK. 100-10]

Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Coordinator Sasakamoose Kuffner provided a verbal update regarding the anti-racism campaign that coincided with the Saskatoon World Cup soccer event, and details of the "I am the Bridge" billboard campaign which is in the planning stages.

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It was noted that planning has started for the Living in Harmony Awards which are held in March each year. Brainstorming ways to make the awards more meaningful is underway which may include a consultative exercise with teachers to see if there are changes that could be made to make the awards more in line with the Committee's mandate, while meeting the needs of school teachers. Ms. Sasakamoose Kuffner also advised that an intern has been hired to do the ground work and research with regard to reviewing City policies through an equity and inclusion lens.

Moved By: C. Sicotte

That the information be received.

CARRIED

5.3 Report of the Director of Aboriginal Relations [File No. CK. 100-10]

Director of Aboriginal Relations Dorval was in attendance to update the Committee regarding the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action. It was emphasized that it is not a municipal Government issue, not an Aboriginal issue, but it is a community issue.

Councillor Iwanchuk excused herself from the meeting at 12:48 p.m.

Director of Aboriginal Relations Dorval advised the Committee of the Wîcihitowin Aboriginal Engagement Conference to be held on October 12-13, 2016 at TCU Place. Several committee members indicated their interest in attending.

Moved By: S. Sambasivam

That the information be received.

CARRIED

6. STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES [File No. CK. 225-40]

The Committee Assistant submitted the current statement of expenditures.

Moved By: S. Sambasivam

1. That the information be received; and

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> That registration fees for the Committee members attending the Wîcihitowin conference on October 12-13, 2016, at TCU Place be paid from the Member Development/Conference portion of the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee budget.

> > CARRIED

7. EDUCATION AND AWARENESS INITIATIVES - CO-SPONSORSHIP

7.1 Co-Sponsorship - Ineligible Expenses [File No. CK. 225-40-10]

The Committee Assistant reported that at the Cultural Diversity and Race Relations Committee meeting held on May 12, 2016, the Committee brought forward the issue of ineligible expenses with respect to co-sponsorships and the need for the guidelines to be updated. Discussion followed.

Moved By: C. Sicotte

That the Co-Sponsorship Subcommittee work together with the Administration to revise and update the co-sponsorship guidelines with respect to eligible and ineligible expenses.

CARRIED

8. OPEN DISCUSSION

Committee members were provided an opportunity to discuss and share information around the issue of racism.

9. ADJOURNMENT

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Ms. C. Lalibe	rte, Chair
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