

Minutes of the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee

March 10, 2022, 6:00 p.m. Chair and Secretary Participating Remotely The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville

Members Present: Lisa Post

Joe Andrews
Sharyn Ayliffe
Hazel Mason
Shawna McNally
David Nairn
Sushil Shundil

Members Absent: Polvier Folkes-Grandison, provided regrets

Dawn Kelly, provided regrets Patti Thomas, provided regrets

Staff Present: Sarah Alexander, Human Resources Assistant

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

None.

3. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Recommendation: 2022-009

Moved by Hazel Mason

That the minutes of the following meeting are approved:

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Carried Unanimously

4. Presentations

None.

5. Items for Discussion and Reports

5.1 Working Group Updates

The Holi Festival Working Group provided an update. The Holi Festival of Colours will begin March 17, logistics were provided to the Secretary to the distribute to the Committee. Local students will drop off "Friendship Rocks" at the Town Hall circle on March 17, which will be displayed in the Town Hall from March 18 - 31. The event will include a Mayor's

Proclamation on March 18. Local businesses and residents will be encouraged to display colours recognizing the Holi Festival of Colours. Committee members are welcome to attend the event, and are asked to share the event details with others.

The Community Survey Working Group provided an update. The community survey is now active, and open to the public until April 14. Committee members are asked to share the details with others. Several community organizations received a copy of the survey. The Town Communications Division advertised the survey to the public. Town facilities also received the survey information, so Town staff can assist members of the public with completing the survey. The working group will meet again to work through the survey data.

5.2 Remembrance Day Celebration Ideas

This item shall be kept as an ongoing agenda item for discussion; no ideas were discussed during the March meeting.

6. Correspondence

None.

7. New Business

Co-chair Andrews shared that the public figure, Mohanji, will be presenting to the Men's Homelessness Committee in the near future. Mohanji is an internationally known spiritual leader and humanitarian. Co-chair Andrews will share more information with the Committee as it becomes available.

Committee members are encouraged to see the production "Things my Fore-Sisters Saw" at Theatre Orangeville, as it is relevant content for the Committee as relates to equity, diversity and inclusion. Secretary asked to contact Committee members unable to attend the meeting to share this information.

The local event, "Celebrate Your Awesome", is scheduled for June 18.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday April 14, 2022 at 6 p.m.

9. Adjournment

Recommendation: 2022-010

Moved by David Nairn

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried Unanimously