Mayor's Multicultural Council

Meeting Minutes July 20, 2015

Opening:

A special meeting of the MMC was called to order at 6:12 p.m. on July 20 in the Mayor's conference room located at 888 Washington Boulevard in Stamford, CT by Jere Eaton.

Present: Nino Antonelli, Tom Bellete, Jere Eaton, Robert Figueroa, Jeanne Franklin, Deborah Goldberg, Shelly Nichani, Pilar, Pelaez, Eva Weller

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for May 18, 2015 were approved and accepted.

Introduction of Guests:

Ingemar Heredia; regular attendee

Old Business:

MMC suggested bylaws have been provided to John Leydon and Mayra Rios for review and submission to the City's attorneys.

Children's Parade and International Day updates

- Sharon Beadle to be contacted for information on how to distribute postcards to Stamford Public School students and invites to be sent to public school students
- Ernie needs to walk the parade route
- The MMC page on the www.USDayCT.com website needs to be updated with pictures and mission statement
- Volunteers needed to assist by servicing 2 hour shifts from 7am to 2:30pm
- The MMC table needs to be managed by MMC members
- A retractable banner with MMC graphics to be designed and purchased for use at US Day and other events.
- Robert is to be reimbursed for the tent that was damaged last year
- Additional food truck vendors needed

New Business:

- Eva Padilla is vetting opportunities for the MMC to host an art show at the Stamford Innovation Center
- Robert Figueroa suggested a MMC cookout to bring the community together

Open Discussion:

- Ecuadorian Celebrations
 - August 8, 2015 fundraising dinner and scholarships for students
 - o August 9, 2015 flag raising
- Central American flag raising
- Indian flag raising August 15, 2015 at 10:30am

Next month's meeting: September 3, 2015 at 6pm

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm