

Mayor's Multicultural Council

Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2015

Opening:

The regular meeting of the MMC was called to order at 6:11 p.m. on April 23, 2015 on the 10th floor conference room located at 888 Washington Blvd., Stamford, CT by: Jere Eaton.

Members Present (Bolded): Nino Antonelli, Meera Banta, Sandra Barrett, Goiton Bellete, Jere Eaton, Arbis Faustin, Robert Figueroa, **Jeanne Franklin, Deborah Goldberg, Paul Isla, John Leydan,** John Mallozzi, **Shelly Nichani,** Eva Padilla, **Pilar Pelaez, Mayra Rios,** Galdino Velasco, **Eva Weller**

Guest – Marty Levine, Ingemar Heredia

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for December 10, 2014 were approved and accepted

Chairman's Report:

- Team building exercise for our next meeting – May 19, 6-8pm

Old Business:

- Children's Parade: Nino – Meeting with city departments
 - ~Having and joining the event the same day as "Marcus for Change (MFC)."
 - ~Location, Mill River Park; normal parade will take place before joining ~MFC activities
 - ~Pilar – in charge of Festival/International Dance
 - ~Nino suggested having Mayra help in getting committee members at the meetings
 - ~Committee to meet for planning
- Bylaws – see attached. Below are changes/amendments to the bylaws
 - ~**Article 2** – Mayor's Multicultural Council should have (MMC) following spelled out name, to accommodate future of the name in the bylaws
 - ~Insert the word "representatives" after is made up of
 - ~**Article 3** – remove bullets
 - ~**Article 4** – Insert "shall be" after The MMC Executive Board
 - ~Last bullet in section (a.) should read: All others are Members are designated as Members at Large
 - ~Section (c.) – Change from December to January
 - ~**Article 5** – Remove general information meetings and insert "Committee meetings shall be held as needed. Emergency meetings shall be held as needed"
 - ~**Article 6** – Change at least 75% to seven (7) meeting per fiscal year
 - ~**Article 9** – Remove "simple majority will be considered a" and insert "A quorum will consist of 7 or more"

New Business:

- Looking for a secretary for the remainder of the term (through December)
- Reviewed budget (see attached). Suggestions of use for funds – MMC pins; funding meetings of Women's League of Voters for policing reports; give-aways at Children's Parade
- Updates for House of Worship visit to be sent in to Debbie – need location for May and June
- No meetings in July and August

Other events: Activities -

- Mayra – May 28 – Golf Tournament
- Meera – June 15 – Indian flag raising
- Meera – June 20 – Award ceremony
- Shelly – June 28-29 – Cricket Tournament
- Ingemor – August 9 – Ecuador flag raising

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.