

**City of Madison Heights
Multicultural Relations Advisory Board
Special Scheduled Meeting Agenda
Breckenridge Room - Library
240 W. 13 Mile Road
December 4, 2019
5:30 p.m.**

1. Call to Order at 5:30 p.m.
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of the minutes of February 22, 2016
4. Meeting Open to the Public
5. Board Discussion Topics
 - a. Discussion of purpose and need for the Board
 - b. D Asian Media – Multicultural Event – C4H Volunteer Award Ceremony and Multicultural Talent Show – February 21, 2020
6. Other Business
7. Adjournment

MINUTES

Multicultural Relations Advisory Board

February 22, 2016

Breckenridge Room, Madison Heights Public Library

Call to Order

Chair Tony Austin called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Tony Austin, Nellie Brown, Mayor Pro-Tem Mark Bliss, Johnnie Eggert, Dolly Ferries, Councilman David Soltis, Archie Hensley, Chelsea Zuzindlak

Also Present: Melissa Marsh, Deputy City Manager

Excused: Valleri Devine, Urmilla Agarwal, Sally Arrivee

Guests: Amer Hanna-Fatuhi, President of the Caldean Cultural Center

Approval of Minutes January 25, 2016

Dolly Ferries moved, seconded by Nellie Brown to approve the minutes with the correction of making unexcused V. Devine and D. Soltis excused. Motion passed.

Old Business

Nomination and Election of a Secretary

Needs to be discussed at the March meeting.

Reports from Contacting Community Groups

T. Austin discussed the ways to get data from different cultural groups, so the committee can communicate with them. C. Zuzindlak asked if the survey is to be directed to the leader of the organization or to the members. She also wanted to know if the survey would be electronic. T. Austin said that they need to have multiple ways of communicating and disseminating the survey to the public. A. Hensely volunteered to head a subcommittee to assist with the task. Mayor Pro-Tem Bliss suggested that the committee needs to find the avenues to distribute the survey. Mr. Austin said the survey should be centered on city services. Mayor Pro-Tem Bliss suggested that staff should compile a list of 10 questions to bring to the March meeting.

Ms Zuzindlak said the MRAB needs to decide what organizations to talk to and staff to develop questions. Mr. Hanna-Fatuhi said that the Chaldean Cultural Center knows who lives in Madison Heights and can communicate with their members via newsletters. He said to start with a small number and the list would grow.

Ms. Eggert moved, seconded by Mrs. Ferries that a multicultural research subcommittee headed by Mr. Hensley to create questions for a survey to be formed. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Identification

Ms. Marsh updated the group that the city would provide identification cards to committee members. MRAB members need to go to the City Manager's office and see Betty Oliver for getting ID cards. She also said that blank letterhead will not be given out but a form letter stating what is trying to be accomplished can be written.

New Business

Mayor Pro-Tem Bliss updated committee members that with the help of Mr. Austin they were going to begin making videos of City Services to be translated into several languages.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:45.