

MINUTES

Thursday, September 13, 2007

**Sioux Falls
Diversity Council**

1:30 p.m.—3 p.m.
Instructional Planning Center
201 East 38th Street

Attendees: Mayor Dave Munson, Dr. Pam Homan, Carol Twedt, JR Castillo, Betty Oldenkamp, Jodi Schwan, Julie Waage, Sara Weber, and Pastor Dwayne Williams,.

Staff: Dr. Bill Smith, Instructional Support Services Director and Jeff Munce, Human Relations Manager.

1. Opening Statement by Dr. Homan

- After each attendee introduced themselves, Dr. Homan stated she intends on updating the School Board during their October 2007, meeting on where the group is at with the planning of the Diversity Council.

2. Establishing meeting dates, times, and place

- The group decided that standing meetings would be four times a year spread out quarterly with additional meetings as needed. The standing meetings would be the first Tuesday in January, April, July, and October.
- The time would be 1:30 p.m.
- Until a more permanent meeting place can be determined (anticipated to be City Hall), the group agreed to meet at the School District's Instructional Planning Center, 201 E. 38th Street.
- The group discussed what public notice requirements were required. After some discussion, it was decided that the City could provide public notice when meetings are held.

3. Identify at-large members and who will be responsible for contacts.

- It was decided that ultimately, we'd have 12 total members. Because we have decided on 9 standing members, we agreed on 3 at-large members. JR Castillo attended this meeting and has experience as Co-Chair of the Race Taskforce. Pastor Dwayne Williams also attended and was selected because of his leadership with the Friendship Baptist Church and faith-based community.
- Discussion followed regarding other possible at-large candidates. It was decided to have Jeff Munce contact Rosanne Morris, with Avera McKennan Hospital. Others will be discussed if Ms. Morris is not available to serve.

Chair: TBD

Vice Chair: TBD

MEDIA COMMITTEE
Committee Chair
Committee Vice Chair

DIVERSITY CONF. COMMITTEE
Committee Chair
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UNNAMED COMMITTEE
Committee Chair
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4. Review and discuss draft bylaws
 - The group discussed the draft bylaws.
5. Develop public policy statement and objectives or assign task for next scheduled meeting
 - Deferred to October meeting. Smith and Munce will bring suggestions to get the group started.
6. Discuss media coverage on creation of Diversity Council
 - Not discussed during this meeting.
7. Elect Chair and Vice Chair
 - Not discussed during this meeting.
8. Adjournment:.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jeff Munce.