



Andy Schor, Mayor

City of Lansing HRCS Advisory Board Meeting Summary

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Foster Community Center

200 N. Foster Avenue

Lansing, MI 48912

Attendance: Paul Dripchak, Ron Embry, Melissa Horste, and Dr. Thomas Woods, and Dr. Versey Williams

Excused: Frank Lee and Sean Gehle

Staff: Kimberly A. Coleman, Amy Crank, Renee Morgan Freeman, Michael Hopson, and Toni Young

Others: Joe Abood, OCA

This meeting was called to order at 5:41 p.m. by Chair Ron Embry.

R. Freeman conducted a roll call. A quorum was established.

M. Horste moved to accept the agenda. Seconded by P. Dripchak. Motion carried.

V. Williams moved to accept the meeting minutes of June 25, 2024. Seconded by T. Woods. Motion carried.

There was no public comment or communication.

Director Coleman reminded members of the upcoming Parliamentarian Training being held on July 25th. She reported that the HRCS Advisory Board would be reviewing the Racial, Equity Fund Grants for presentation of recommendations to Mayor Schor. The purpose of the Racial Equity Fund Grant based on the ordinance is to address root causes of racism and/or promote racial equity. Mr. Hopson, the DEI Officer, was introduced to the Board. M. Hopson participated in the scoring of grant applications. The grant requests vary in amounts and the total funds requested are \$800,000. However, only \$200,000 in funds are available.

Director Coleman then directed the meeting to T. Young. Ms. Young reiterated that the Board makes recommendations as a whole or on individual grants which were scored. The outcome is then presented to by Director Coleman to Mayor Schor for further recommendations and final decisions. Ms. Young then discussed the concept used for scoring the applications. Discussion ensued. Due to the later absence of a quorum, the Board was not able to conduct a final vote regarding their recommendations. The recommendations were tabled until the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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