

DUNCANVILLE COMMUNITY MULTICULTURAL COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
CITY HALL BRIEFING ROOM, 203 E. WHEATLAND ROAD SEPTEMBER 17,
2015

The Duncanville Community Multicultural Commission (DCMC) held a regular meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 6:47 p.m. with a quorum present, to wit:

Lorraine Hood-Jack, Chairperson	Linda Lydia (Absent)
Elizabeth Gipson (Late)	Lia Polk
Bonnie Giunta (Late)	Ray Uehara
Michael Grace (Absent)	Janet Watson
Mary Fae Kamm (Late)	
Patrick LeBlanc (Absent)	

Staff: Veronica Williams, Staff Liaison and Recreation Superintendent, and Recording Secretary Pam Willis.

ITEM 1 – Public Discussion Period:

No one was present to speak during the public discussion period.

ITEM 2 – Discussion and Approval of Minutes from August 20, 2015 Regular Meeting:

A motion was made by Commission member Uehara for the minutes from the August 20, 2015, Regular Meeting to be approved as is; a second motion came from Commission member Polk. A vote was cast with 6 in favor; with 0 opposed. Commission member Gipson was late and not in attendance for the vote. Commission members Grace, LeBlanc and Lydia were not present at the meeting to vote. Commission member Knowling sent an email to Recording Secretary Willis saying that she had moved and would no longer be serving on the Commission.

ITEM 3 – Discuss Financials / Budget Review:

Chairperson Hood-Jack stated that to clear up FY15 financial she is still requesting a review of why the financial page received in the electronic packets is different from what has previously been sent out. Staff Liaison Williams said she would check with the previous Staff Liaison Claudia Garibay and Tia Pettis, Assistant Financial Director to find out what transitioned to increase the account by \$500.

ITEM 4 – Fusion Fest Sub-Committee Update:

Chairperson Hood-Jack asked Commission member Gipson to give an update for the sub-committee. Commission member Gipson told the Commission that the sub-committee met on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 to discuss possibilities for Fusion Fest 2016. She explained that at the meeting they brainstormed on suggestions for events and people to contact and bring to Fusion Fest 2016. Commission member Gipson stated that for the kids the committee suggested face painting and people dressed up in costumes that the kids could identify with possibly having their pictures taken. For the older adults, Commission Gipson suggested the committee find someone to speak at the D.L. Hopkins, Jr. Senior Center. It would have to be someone from Duncanville that would draw their attention to the Senior Center. The committee also suggested that invite gospel singers, choirs and sports figures that are all from Duncanville, but have go on to be professionals. Staff Liaison Williams injected and stated that she wanted the Commission to be aware that the Annual Law Enforcement Torch Run/Special Olympics Fire Truck Pull is the same day, Saturday, May 21, 2016, from 6 a.m. until 2 p.m. She suggested that the Fusion Fest be later in the afternoon from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Commission

agreed that this time period was good. Staff Liaison Williams told the Commission that she would begin contacting people in her network that handle smaller cities promotions to see what would be the best way to get this out to the community. It was discussed that the hours for Fusion Fest should be extended until 10 p.m. More discussion and a more definite outline will be needed before anything is set.

ITEM 5 – Review and Discuss Received Marketing Materials:

Commission member Watson commented that the new canopy, table and chairs set up really popped out in the open. Chairperson Hood-Jack commented that everyone liked the items that were handed out. They received lots of compliments on how everything looked well together.

ITEM 6 – Discuss Result of Festival en Duncanville & Engagement:

Staff Liaison Williams noted that the Festival went really well. There were several food vendors that came. She received several compliments about the “family atmosphere” that was there. Commission member Polk brought her daughter as a participant not to work the booth and told the Commission that they had a wonderful time. Staff Liaison Williams explained to the Commission that due to unforeseen circumstances the Festival was put together in three (3) weeks and that took a lot of work. She just wanted the Commission to be aware that Fusion Fest 2016 would also require a lot of work and cooperation.

ITEM 7 – National Night Out:

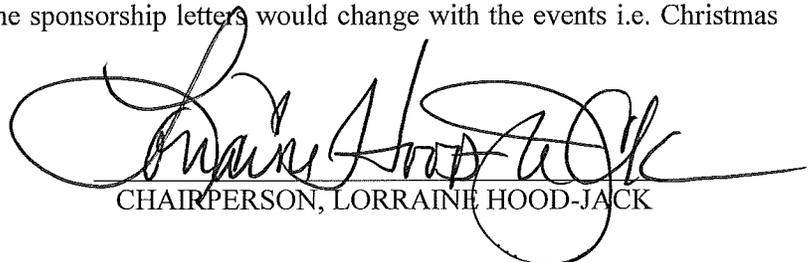
a. Board Sign Up/Availability

Staff Liaison Williams informed the Commission that National Night Out (NNO) would be held Tuesday, October 6, 2015 from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Duncanville Fieldhouse formally known as the Bob Knight’s Fieldhouse at the corner of Main and the SR of Hwy 67. Commission member Gipson said that she would be there, but couldn’t be specific on a time just yet. Commission members Kamm and Polk said they could be there from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Commission members Watson and Hood-Jack will take the time from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Commission member Giunta and Uehara will take the time from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. so there would be coverage for the entire time.

ITEM 8 – Board Identification & Communication Resources:

Staff Liaison Williams opened discussion on Board Identification and Communication Resources by saying the City Attorney Bob Hager disapproved of business cards for Boards and Commission members; however, he did approve a post card type of ID with generic information on it that would be approved for October 1, 2015. She also explained that she would get the Commission sponsorship letters so that they could begin seeking out sponsors for Fusion Fest 2016. Of course, the sponsorship letters would change with the events i.e. Christmas and Fusion Fest.

APPROVED:



CHAIRPERSON, LORRAINE HOOD-JACK

ATTEST:



COMMISSION SECRETARY