

Westminster Inclusivity Board

6:00-7:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 8, 2024, Hybrid Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Present: Seth McGinnis, Doug Pfeiffer, Rich Chamberlain, Megan Peters, Donna Johnson, Jillian Gibson, Miguel Mendoza-Hall, Justin Davis, Alan Farb

Absent: Steve Brachman, Michelle Zajic

Guests: Kodi Blue Erb, Kate Cook, Dave DeMott

- **Welcome (2 Minutes)**
- **Old Business (15 Minutes)**
 - [Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes](#)
 - Moved: Seth; Second: Miguel; passes unopposed
 - [Senior Resources Center + the City's Volunteer Program](#)
 - Who helps seniors? Snowbusters, Mowing with Cops, Yardwork help
 - Volunteer coordinator matches seniors to services
 - Volunteers have to be 18+, 3 refs, pass bg check
 - Access to Via Mobility through county; can help with errands
 - There are two Census Tracts in Westminster that have over 20% of their population age 65 years and older. Below are the neighborhoods within those tracts:

Census Tract 93.26 – 31.6% over 65
Cedar Bridge
Legacy Ridge East
Meadowlark
Savory Farm

Census Tract 94.10 – 23.1% over 65
Hyland Greens
Hyland Greens East
Skyland Village
Windings

Retirement communities not included
 - Westy Live Better website managed by Kate Skarbek
 - Creating subcommittee for outreach to seniors
 - Email Justin if interested in participating
 - Ways to get IBoard out & in contact with this part of the community
 - E.g., having Board meetings elsewhere
 - Donna – great idea; city council has met at Covenant Living
 - Would be easy to set up a Board meeting there
 - [Building Community](#)
 - How to do outreach pieces
- **City Council Report (10 Minutes)**
 - [Councillor David DeMott](#)
 - City Council follow-up to strategic plan
 - Specific callout for working with nonprofits for senior community
 - Still being finalized; action plan yet to come (at least a month)

- Will continue to represent IBoard agenda
 - Next time: propose 2-3 action items in conjunction with DD
 - Shows up under two different objectives
 - Kodi will send a link later this week
- Pillar in new plan specifically around organization & its needs
 - Worked with staff to put resource provisioning into plan
 - “Organizational Vitality” as a strategic priority
 - E.g., unionization, more firefighters, benefits increases
 - More support for overcoming language barriers
 - [seed planted by IBoard in the past]
 - DEI will show up as an objective in new plan
- Prioritization & balancing of objectives:
 - Urgency, low-hanging fruit, timing & budget constraints, external factors, the usual suspects

- **New Business**

- Proclamations: Juneteenth, Pride
- Now is the time to recommend/sponsor proclamations to Council
 - Recommend Juneteenth proclamation to Council
 - Motion Donna, 2nd Miguel, passes unopposed
 - Recommend Pride proclamation to Council
 - Motion Seth, 2nd Alan, passes unopposed
 - Recommend Immigrant Heritage proclamation to Council
 - Motion Rich, 2nd Doug, passes unopposed
 - Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network (RMIAN) as reps
 - Can we get community members to come accept with us?
 - Juneteenth: ask Councilor Obey for recommendation?
 - Miguel suggests Board plans for these further in advance
 - June: Pride, Juneteenth
 - October, Nov: Indigenous Peoples
 - June: Immigrant Heritage
 - (happened once as part of Welcoming America)
 - Standing item to look for new ones?
 - Something to bring to community
 - Recycle proclamations from previous years,
 - give everyone a chance to review & comment
 - Kodi will send out tomorrow
 - Kodi will send out calendar invites for council meeting once approved
- Staffing
- Kate Cook (in partnership with Amy Rodda) is taking over from Kodi as staff liaison for IBoard over the next few months

- **Subcommittee Reports/Updates**

- None

- **Community Report**

- What’s Happening in the Community?
- Budget Town Hall tomorrow night
- Policy & Pilsner 6:30-8 pm next Thursday at Kokopelli’s
- Rich: Bahai’s of Westminster have just elected new assembly
 - Growing Home is starting annual community garden
 - Can use volunteers

- Golf tournament fundraiser upcoming
 - Art auction later in the year
 - Will eventually move, but no date or destination yet
- Jeffco & Adams Co cultural councils wrapping up evaluations of science & arts groups for SCFD funding
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- Jillian: health & safety at public parks – how do you get info?
 - (e.g., is creek water potable / clean for playing in?)
 - Possible topic for future discussion - cross-board
- Megan: city events - opportunities to connect with community
 - Signup sheet for showing up as a rep?
- Seth: awareness of neurodivergence generally growing
- Miguel: Cuisine with Cops May 24th, City Park 7-dusk
 - Same night as first Movie in the Park (so lots of people)
- Alan: 2nd & 4th Thursday of month 1:30-3:30 Irving Street Library Resource Fair
 - Homeless Navigator Hailey has been keeping it going
 - Concept of proclaiming waterways as living entities
 - Cross-board with Environmental Advisory
 - Note: rain barrels now legal in Westminster
 - 2nd & 3rd Thursdays Community dinners at Westminster Presbyterian
- Justin: schools serving free breakfast & lunch for kids (nominally) during summer
 - Various pickup sites
- City Events
 - Armed Forces Day May 18th
 - Cuisine with Cops & Movies in the Park May 24th
 - Summer Block party Historic Westminster June 7th
 - Movies in the Park June 14th