



SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE JOINT INCLUSION COMMITTEE

February 26, 2018 at 3:30 pm
Dougherty Arts Center
1110 Barton Springs Rd, Austin, TX 78704

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Awais Azhar
Janee Briesemeister
Debasree DasGupta
Nicole Merritt

Amanda Lewis (Chair)
Isabel Lopez-Aguilar
Robin Orlowski
Gregory Smith

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Committee was called to order at 3:34 pm

Board Members in attendance:

Janee Briesemeister, Amanda Lewis, Awais Azhar, Robin Orlowski, and Greg Smith

Staff Liaison in Attendance:

Trinh Bartlett; Senior Assistant to Assistant City Manager

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 24, 2017

Commissioner Smith motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Briesemeister. Approval of the minutes passed on a unanimous vote.

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discuss and take action of the last sentence in revised Section 3A of the Board Bylaws which reads as revised ***“The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Quality of Life Advisory Commission will appoint a person from their respective Commission to be a representative on the Joint Inclusion Committee.”***

Discuss and take action of the first sentence in revised Section 7D of the Board Bylaws which reads as revised ***“The Board shall meet at least quarterly.”***

Commissioner Awais motioned to approve Section 3A as is, and amend Section 7D to read as follow – ***“The Board shall meet on a monthly basis.”*** Commissioner Briesemeister seconded the motion with the amendment. Motion was passed on a unanimous vote.

Chair Lewis motioned to hold future meetings on the last Tuesday of each month, beginning in the month of March and starting at 3:30 pm, seconded by Commissioner Awais. Motion was passed on a unanimous vote.

- b. Appoint new Vice-Chair for the Joint Inclusion Committee – Commissioner Smith motioned to appoint Commissioner Briesemeister as Vice-Chair, seconded by Commissioner Awais. Motion was passed on a unanimous vote.

4. STAFF BRIEFINGS – Equity Office Update

- a. Chief Equity Officer Brion Oaks and Equity Consultant Kellee Coleman provided updates to the Commission on (1) current developments within the Equity Office, (2) recent Council briefing on the Mayor’s Task Force on Institutional Racism, and (3) budget recommendations and thoughts for the upcoming FY19 budget process.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

None

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Equity Office – Present Data and Findings from Portland Oregon and Multnomah County
- b. Discuss and Take Possible Action on FY19 Budget Recommendations

ADJOURNMENT

- a. Meeting adjourned at 4:53 pm.