

Warrensburg Diversity and Inclusion Commission
Aug. 4, 2022, Minutes of the meeting
Meeting was held at Warrensburg Community Center

Invitees in attendance:

- Voting members: Erica Collins, chair; Barbara Mayfield, vice-chair; Suzy Latore, Atsuki Mori, Dorothy Arvizu, Doug Christie
- Ex Officio members: Police Chief Andy Munsterman

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Erica Collins at 6:35 pm with a quorum in attendance. Dorothy moved to accept the agenda, Erica seconded, the motion carried.

2. The July 5 minutes contain the following correction: the Warrensburg Back to School Fair is August 5. Suzy moved to approve the minutes of the July 05, 2022 meeting as corrected; Dorothy seconded; the motion carried.

3. Community Events and Outreach:

a. Community educational opportunities:

i. Marcy Barnhardt, with the City of Warrensburg, spoke on a grant to benefit Juneteenth celebration activities, June 17-18, 2023. Applications can be made through Warrensburg Convention and Visitors Bureau. If there are not enough applications by the 8/15/2022 deadline they may reconsider the criteria. They encourage applications for new events. It is funded by the lodging tax. Marcy encourages groups work together with other nonprofit organizations. If event dates are not established at the time of the application, they can be added later.

ii. The Blind Boone Symposium is the first week of October. Erica talked with the UCM Art Department and the Historical Society. Suzy said Denise Cook, artist in residence, directed a play. Doug suggested inviting other pertinent community members, e.g. the Negro League team out of Knob Noster, the Brown Tennessee Rats. Erica suggested setting up a display on Negro League baseball. Some of these images could be included in the backdrop being created by Photo Gym. We can email photos to the City Clerk.

iii. Chief Munsterman prefers that DIC invoice him for expenses, e.g. giveaway items. DIC can plan the order and he will cover it through funds he sets aside for such a purpose.

iv. Reception for guest speaker Dr. Cristobal Salinas, Sept. 19, will involve a \$200 honorarium and funds for the reception. Invoice and W2 can be provided to Chief Munsterman or give the person's phone number to the Chief. The reception will consist of cookies and finger sandwiches. Erica will also ask community partners to contribute to the function.

v. Get the Red Out: Atsuki and Barbara will update the game questions, including current events. Suzy will follow up on the table cloth. Dorothy has a pop up "tent" we can use.

4. DIC will update the Commission on events at their August or September meeting.

Suzy moved to adjourn the meeting, Atsuki seconded, and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.