

Canton, Georgia

*110 Academy Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Final

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

6:30 PM

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Diversity and Inclusion Task Force

1. Meeting Called to Order

Meeting Called to Order by Ms. Aragon at 6:40 p.m. Present were members Aragon, Hill, Reveles and Bird. Mr. Peppers was also in attendance.

2. Approval of April 27, 2021 Joint Meeting Minutes

- A. Diversity and Inclusion Task Force Joint Meeting Draft Minutes - April 27, 2021
- Attachment 2A

Attachments: [Minutes - Diversity and Inclusion Task Force Joint Meeting - April 27, 2021](#)

Mr. Hill moved to approve the minutes from April 27. This was seconded by Reveles and approved unanimously.

3. Old Business

- A. **Development of a Diversity and Inclusion Task Force Meeting Calendar (Kathy Strom)**

- B. **Update of Social Media (Paty Reveles)**

- i. **Soliciting Community Dialogue**
- ii. **Discuss Highlighting CA Heritage Month and Pride Month**
- iii. **Ongoing Content for the Page**

- C. **Planning a Community Forum (Carmen Slaughter, Carlos Hill, Tiffany Byrd)**

- D. **Follow Up from Joint Public Safety Meeting Regarding Diversity Event with Police Department**

The group discussed future meeting dates and decided to have meetings for the foreseeable future on the second or third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Ms. Reveles updated the group on the social media outreach. She stated that she is waiting for some additional visuals. The group discussed the need for members to assist in providing content and additional assistance for maintenance of the page.

Ms. Aragon mentioned the need to work with other organizations to help liaise in the community and understand needs, programs, and outreach. These included PFLAG, NAACP, MUST and of course local churches.

In discussing the potential for future community outreach, the group determined

to take advantage of existing City events, such as First Friday or the Farmers Market to set up a table and help drive dialogue and meet the community. Mr. Hill stated that he would take this on.

The group discussed creating a push card to help explain the purpose of the Task Force and to encourage dialogue through the group email and social media. Also discussed were looking at a big table event, participating with the Police Department event in August, and an event such as a forum at the Canton Theatre.

4. New Business

A. Brainstorming Session - Future Objectives

B. Implementing New Diversity and Inclusion Education Incentives

Peppers noted that the City is working to review its human resources outreach related to interview panels, blind applications, and new positions. Additionally he noted that American Rescue Plan Act funds would allow for programming, such as culturally engaging events and translations services.

C. Other New Business

5. Adjourn

Mr. Hill moved to adjourn at 8 p.m. Ms. Aragon seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.