



Meeting Minutes

Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting

October 6, 2022

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by board chair, Charmaine Donald.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: John Barrant, Charmaine Donald, Gilbert Lenchus, Glinda Townsley, Myrurgia (Maggie) Pichardo, Carol Simmons

City Liaison: Amy Jean-Baptiste, Assistant Director of Leisure Services

Open Discussion

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the September 1, 2022 meeting was made by Gilbert Lenchus and seconded by Glinda Townsley. The motion carried without opposition.

Old Business

Past Events

- Lyrical Lounge/ Open Mic Night- There were about 28 teens in attendance.
- Art Gallery Reception- Works by Susan Buzzi, approximately 45 guests in attendance.
- Theatre show-Johnny Peers & The Multiville Comix- There were 162 in attendance.
- 9/11 Ceremony- Sunrise continues to honor the victims and heroes of the terrorist attacks. There were approximately 50 people in attendance.
- Kids' Fishing Derby- 150 enrolled for the event. It was a great turnout, about double the attendance from previous years, and a lot of fish were caught. It was shared that the park has been very busy since reopening.
- Mayors' Chess Challenge- About 150 players attended.
- Soca Step Class- An estimated 450 people attended the free class. Staff is hoping to bring them back in the new year.

Cultural Festival Update

- Event Flyer- Board members viewed the event flyer and were informed that two of the suggested bands are unable to perform. However, there will still be three performers: Lavie & Friends, Latin & Pop singer, Karina Iglesias and Reggae singer, Devine.

- Sunrise Superstars Talent Show- Amy Jean-Baptiste shared that there are 10 acts registered to compete in three divisions: Youth, Teens and Adult. The judges' sheets will be distributed upon arrival at the Theatre. The first act is set to perform at 6:30 p.m.

New Business

Upcoming Theatre/Art Gallery Events

- Lyrical Lounge/ Open Mic Night - Friday, 10/7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Art Gallery
- 10/22 - Fushu Daiko – Japanese Drumming
- 10/29 – Beetlejuice: Interactive Movie Experience

Upcoming Events/Programs

- 10/14 – Hocus Pocus Family Dance
- 10/15 – Fall Harvest Festival
- 10/21 – Tunes & Trucks at the Civic Center: La Muñeca de la Salsa
- 10/22 – Trick or Trot 5k
- 10/29 – Boo Bash

Board Discussion

Maggie Pichardo shared that she attended the Marc Anthony show at the Theatre and really enjoyed the performance.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Glinda Townsley and seconded by Gilbert Lenchus. The motion passed without opposition.

Transcribed by: _____
Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary