



Meeting Minutes

Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting
November 3, 2022

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by board Vice-chair, Glinda Townsley.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: John Barrant, Gilbert Lenchus, Glinda Townsley, Carol Simmons

Absent: Charmaine Donald, Myrurgia (Maggie) Pichardo

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Director of Leisure Services

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

Open Discussion

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the October 6, 2022 meeting was made by Gilbert Lenchus and seconded by John Barrant. The motion carried without opposition.

Old Business

Past Events

Participation numbers for recently held events are as follows:

- Hocus Pocus Family Dance - 112
- Fall Harvest Festival at Welleby Park - 4,500
- First Tunes & Trucks Concert of the Season Featuring La Muñeca de la Salsa - 1,000
- Trick or Trot 5K - 571
- Boo Bash at City Park - 6,000

Glinda Townsley attended with her grandchildren and shared that there was always something to do, the event flowed nicely with games, trick or treating and photo opportunities. Ms. Townsley commended staff on a job well done.

- Fushu Daiko - 171
Carole Simmons attended and shared that the show was amazing.
- Beetlejuice Interactive Movie - 99

Cultural Festival Update

- Event Schedule and Layout - Kevin Pickard shared the line-up of the events, including community performances. The board was shown an overview of the festival layout as well as the location of the advisory board booth.

- Sunrise Superstars Talent Show- Board members shared that they enjoyed judging the community talent show. Glinda Townsley commented that it is a good way to include local talent in the Cultural Festival and hopes it will continue to grow each year.

New Business

Upcoming Theatre/Art Gallery Events

- 11/12 & 11/13 - Something Rotten (Inside Out Theatre)
- 11/16 - Word Up! Poetry Slam
- 11/19 - Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire, Interactive Movie Experience

Upcoming Events/Programs

- 11/5 - Cultural Festival
- 11/11- Veteran's Day Ceremony
- 11/18 - Tunes & Trucks at the Civic Center featuring Greatest Decades of Rock

Board Discussion

A board member asked for information regarding the tree lighting ceremony. Kevin Pickard responded that the ceremony will take place on Friday, 12/2 from 6-8 p.m. at the front of the Municipal Complex.

Glinda Townsley shared that she attended the Soca Step Class at City Park with her daughter and had a great time. Ms. Townsley liked that they could bring children along to play in the park. She is looking forward to doing it again. Kevin Pickard shared that staff is working towards scheduling the class on a monthly basis.

Adjournment

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

Transcribed by: _____
Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary