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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

DURHAM REGION ANTI-RACISM TASKFORCE

Thursday, September 29, 2022

A meeting of the Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce was held on Thursday, September 29, 2022 in the Lower Level Boardroom (LL-C), Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 7:00 PM. Electronic participation was permitted for this meeting.

1. Traditional Territory Acknowledgment

We are currently located on land which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange among the Mississaugas Peoples and is the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation. We honour, recognize and respect this nation and Indigenous Peoples as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet today.

2. Roll Call

Present: Councillor Lee, Regional Council, Chair
E. Baxter-Trahair, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Caibaiosai, Industry/Association/Public Institution Representative
T. Hancock, Community Member
J. Munawa, Community Member
C. Oyeniran, Community Member
N. Samuel, Industry/Association/Public Institution Representative
G. Wilson-Beier, Community Member

***all members of the Committee participated electronically**

Absent: F. Ahmed, Community Member, Vice-Chair
S. Bookal, Community Member
PG Case, Industry/Association/Public Institution Representative
S. Dave, Community Member
L. Francis, Community Member
Z. Pickering, Community Member
K. Vieneer, Community Member
J. Williamson, Industry/Association/Public Institution Representative

Staff

Present: A. Hector-Alexander, Director, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
P. Hines, Manager, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
H. Mohammed, Policy Coordinator, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
A. Sharma, Policy Advisor, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
R. Inacio, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT
K. Smith, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services
***all staff participated electronically**

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Adoption of Minutes

Due to lack of quorum, Item 4 will be deferred to the next DRART meeting.

5. Delegations

There were no delegations to be heard.

6. Presentations

- A) Keishia Facey, Durham Collective/RFWC Consulting, re: Durham Black Community Hub – Final Report

Due to lack of quorum, Item 6.A) will be deferred to the next DRART meeting.

- B) Rachel Bromberg, International Crisis Response Association, re: Non-Police Crisis Response Initiative

Due to lack of quorum, Item 6.B) will be deferred to the next DRART meeting.

7. Information Items

There were no information items.

8. Discussion Items

- A) DEI Glossary

Due to lack of quorum, Item 8.A) will be deferred to the next DRART meeting.

- B) Municipal Elections and Racialized Communities

Due to lack of quorum, Item 8.B) was not considered.

- C) Working Group Updates and Next Steps

Due to lack of quorum, Item 8.C) will be deferred to the next DRART meeting.

- D) DRART Membership

Due to lack of quorum, Item 8.D) was not considered.

- E) National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Due to lack of quorum, Item 8.E) was not considered.

9. Other Business

There were no items of other business.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce meeting will be held on Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM

[Note: It was confirmed prior to the 30 minute mark after the time appointed for the meeting that a quorum would not be present.]

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Lee, Chair

K. Smith, Committee Clerk