

DRAFT - UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Equity and Diversity Committee - Town of Shelburne

PUBLIC MEETING Minutes

Monday, June 6, 2022, 6:00pm

Zoom-only Meeting

Committee Members present: Jennie Hoenigsberg, Wanda Morgan, Michele Crowder, Marcela Pinto, Josh Flore

- **Call to Order:** 6:09pm

Facilitator: Marcela Pino

Minutes: Wanda Morgan

- **Approval of Agenda for:** June 6, 2022

Motion to approve Agenda: Jennie

Second: Wanda

Favor: Majority **Opposed:** None

- **Approval of Minutes from:** May 16, 2022

Motion to approve Minutes: Jennie

Second: Josh

Favor: Majority **Opposed:** None

- **Public comments:** None—No members of the public were present

Marcela suggested that when we send the agenda to Front Porch Forum for publicizing that we should only include the action items on the agenda and not include the committee names that the action is assigned. The committee agreed.

- **Report from Sub-Groups -**

Culture & Community Subgroup: Michelle discussed that this sub-group is preparing a movie night (summer, no tentative date) and a Heritage PotLuck (fall, tentative 10/23). Mercedes is taking the lead to finalize the library and any other venues.

Josh mentioned an outside movie event (from another organization) that had taken place at Vermont Teddy bear parking lot with a large screen. Josh will seek more information regarding the screen and venue.

Strategic Planning Subgroup: Michelle reviewed the Strategic plan Work flow that has previously been shared with the committee. The committee discussed that this outline should wait to be completed until after a consultant is onboard.

Consultant Subgroup: Marcela reported that this group is still working with Lee and Tabitha Moore to finalize a contract. Currently, we are waiting for a new date and amount from Tabitha to finalize a contract..

Grant Subgroup: Wanda reported that there has been no response from any of the grant applications submitted (SCHIP, VT Community Foundation) since the last meeting. We discussed that no news is good news as we have not received any denial communications..

- **Other Discussions -**

Abenaki and Odenak– Marcela summarized the previous discussion regarding Vermont Abenaki and the Canada Odenak nations from our previous meeting. We discussed that as we are a young group we not only have no resources to become involved; we are not aware of how we may be of service as a committee. Other committee members have shared information regarding this situation and individual committee members may pursue this as a personal cause.

Amendment to Agenda–The Agenda for 6/6/22 should read: Approval of minutes from the last meeting; May 16, 2022 meeting (instead of 2.7.22)

Action Items:

Action	Responsible	Due
Clarifying support from Shelburne Farms.	Patricia	6/20
Share articles or information to the committee regarding Abenaki and Odenak disagreement.	Cate, Fabienne	completed
Clarifying rules regarding donations/fundraisers.	Cate	6/20
Can the committee have an official town Zoom link?	Erika/Jennie	completed
Reach out to make a wish foundation to advise where they rented the large screen for outdoor movie and reach out to Vermont teddy bear for info on using their parking lot for possible movie night	Josh	6/20
Send survey to Committee members for possible new meeting days	Jennie	6/20

Jennie discussed that the town cannot add any more zoom meetings than the (3) license they already have. We discussed additional options instead of using a committee member’s personal zoom link:

- A. Use a different free platform (google meets, etc)
- B. Change meeting date to Tuesdays
- C. Change meeting dates to Mondays other than 1st and 3rd.

Jennie will send a survey of days to the committee and members are asked to complete the survey ASAP

- **Next meeting:**

Facilitator: Michelle

Minutes: Marcela

In -Person: N/A

Meeting adjourned: 6:44pm (no motion)