

Advisory Council Meeting
Cathy Hudgins Community Center at Southgate
12125 Pinecrest Rd, Reston, VA 20191

Minutes – May, 7 2024

Council Members Present:

Caren Anton, Maryam Ovissi, Yasmine Aquino, Gerald Padmore, Judy Singer, Alexandra Rossi,

Council Members Not Present:

Kathleen Jones, Judy Singer, Andy Sigle, Ha Brock (RA).

Community and Staff Present:

Quincy Lewis (NCS), Satoriea Warren (NCS), Karen De Mijango (NCS), Gwenn Minton (BOS Hunter Mill), Darlena Ricks

2023-2024 Council GOALS

Progress Workplan including:

- i. ~~Increase balance in Advisory Fund to enhance capability to support CHCC programming efforts.~~
- ii. Have all Council members involved in a minimum of 15 hours of service at CHCC.
- iii. Have all Council positions filled.
- iv. Support CHCC staff to increase outreach and programming to our adult communities.
- v. Have all member complete NCS Volunteer training.

Meeting Call to Order: Caren Anton, Chair, at 7:06pm

Tonight's Agenda: Approved after the motion passed unanimously.

Past Meeting Minutes: April 2 minutes approved after the motion passed unanimously.

Announcement:

Chairman's Report (Caren Anton):

- Two council members visited the Reston Teen Center and met with four youths to discuss their interest in joining the council. Some are interested although they have not heard from them.

Discussion of programming/programming needs

- Quincy presented the Director's report (please see the Director's report for more information).
 - The council will support the Family's Dinner this week.
 - The council discussed the Flea Market and their role. Several council members will come to the center on the Friday prior to help organize and determine prices.
 - Trophy – the council will research to donate a trophy to the center.

FCPD Community Outreach Report (Officer Post):

- Officer Post absent, no report.

MakerSpace Project

- Update from Quincy, Director: Room 2 (art room) will be utilized to create the MakerSpace because there is a sink in the room. The project will start in the fall.

Herb Garden

- Becky, Assistant Director, reported that the project will be finished between June/July. The council shared they are happy to help support the upkeep of the garden.

New Business:

- CHCC Council nominations:
 - Caren Anton – nominated to continue current position of council chair.
 - Maryam Ovissi – nominated to continue current position of vice-chair .
 - Alexandra Rossi – nominated to run for treasurer.
 - Secretary – no nominations. Taking of minutes to continue to rotate between the council members.

Cornerstones:

- Hapa, Director at Cornerstones, asked if the community center would be available for PTA meetings from Dogwood Elementary. It was determined that Hapa and Quincy would discuss this offline.

Adjourn:

Adjourned at 7:50 PM after the motion passed unanimously.