



Burlington Inclusivity Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: April 21, 2023
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Virtual

1. Members Present:

Hanadi Almasri (Chair), David Mahon, Vwede Obahor, Niyi Olusoga, Vishesh Pandya, Surbhi Malhotra, Ayotunde Samuel Bolaji, Jarred Sanchez-Cacnio, Charles McGregor, David Quezada, Yaya Andrade

2. Member Regrets:

Reah Shin, Ashley Wall

3. Others Present:

Councillor Bentivegna, Denise Beard (Manager of Community Development), Jordan McDonald (Clerk)

4. Land Acknowledgement:

The Chair read the land acknowledgement

5. Declarations of Interest:

None

6. Approval of Minutes:

On motion, the minutes from the meeting held on March 17, 2023, were approved as presented.

7. Delegation(s):

None

8. Regular Items:

8.1 2023 Workplan Review

On motion the 2023 Workplan and Budget were reviewed by the committee, they were voted on and approved via email on April 17.

Discussion about prioritization of action items and timelines were carried forward to next meeting.

8.2 Election of Chair and Vice Chair

On motion, Hanadi Almasri was elected as Chair of the Burlington Inclusivity Advisory Committee, effective immediately for the term to expire December 31, 2023.

The election for Vice Chair was deferred to May 19th.

8.3 Updates from staff liaison Denise Beard

Denise provided several updates to committee about:

- Burlington's 150th Anniversary and new logo design
- The City of Burlington's commitment to becoming more walkable. The committee discussed what walkable means from an accessibility standpoint,
- The renovation and conversion of the former Robert Bateman Highschool

8.4 News about Halton Pride

Jordan gave an update on organizing the flag raising for Pride on June 1st, committee discussed which flag would be most appropriate to raise

Jordan also presented a message from Reah Shin about the Launch Party for Pride Halton taking place on April 23rd.

9. Other Business:

9.1 Hybrid Meetings

Jordan advised the committee that meetings can now be held using a hybrid option, which would use a room at City Hall and Teams technology.

10. Adjournment:

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:35.