

Warrensburg Diversity and Inclusion Commission
July 5, 2022, Minutes of the meeting
Meeting was held at Warrensburg Community Center

In attendance:

- Voting members: Erica Collins, chair; Barbara Mayfield, vice-chair; Suzy Latare, Dorothy Arvizu,
- Ex Officio members: Tarl Bentley (City Council Liaison)
- Guest: Sara Lawson, Warrensburg Daily Journal

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Erica Collins at 7:17 pm with a quorum in attendance. Suzy moved to accept the agenda, Dorothy seconded, the motion carried.

2. There was not a quorum for the June meeting. Notes of the discussion were prepared and sent to members. Dorothy moved to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2022, meeting, and Suzy seconded; the motion carried.

3. Community Events and Outreach:

a. Community educational opportunities:

--The Warrensburg Back to School Fair is 8/6/2022.

There will be income-based outside activities. These will be held in the combined parking lots of the First Christian Church and the United Methodist Church. Other organizations are welcome to have a booth.

--First Baptist Church is having a back to school event that is not income-based in late July.

--The Warrensburg School's Back to School Night will be the week of Aug. 15.

--Get the Red Out is 9/8/2022; DIC is registered to participate. DIC is investigating having a backdrop created by using photos of DIC members, historic community members, community emblems such as Old Drum. DIC will check with possible partners such as Convention and Visitors' Bureau.

The group discussed ordering giveaways such as beads, pencils, bubbles from orientaltrading.com. Dorothy moved and Barbara seconded that we make the selections for the order at the next meeting, with a maximum value of \$500. In discussion, this motion was amended authorizing Suzy to place the order. Barbara seconded and the motion carried.

--Juneteenth 2023: Marcy at Visitors' Center is applying for a grant. Eddie Osborne has a script about Blind Boone that could be performed.

--UCM is sponsoring a program with Dr. Cristobal Salinas, Jr. on Sept. 18-20, 2022. DIC would like to sponsor him to speak to the community and neighboring communities, to be held at the Warrensburg Community Center with a reception for dignitaries would follow. Suzy will check with UCM on this possibility. Barbara made this a motion, Dorothy seconded; the motion carried.

4. Other issues brought up by DIC members:

a. Copies of the approved meeting minutes need to be provided to Jodi Schneider with the City of Warrensburg, at jodi.schneider@warrensburg-mo.com

b. Commission membership: Kamel agreed to remain on the Commission until October; Doug Christie, is ex officio for the City; Kennethea Berry for Whiteman Air Force Base. Placements are needed for remaining ex officio members including University of Central Missouri, and Warrensburg High School.

Barbara moved to adjourn the meeting, Dorothy seconded, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.