



SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE JOINT INCLUSION COMMITTEE

Wednesday July 13, 2016 at 5:00pm
Mexican American Cultural Center
600 River Street
Austin, Texas 78701

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Angela-Jo Touza Medina (Chair)
Sonia Kotecha (Vice-Chair)
Janee Briesemeister

Amanda Lewis
Isabel Lopez-Aguilar
Tanya Winters

APPROVED MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Committee was called to order at 5:11pm

Board Members in attendance:

Angela-Jo Touza Medina (Chair), Sonia Kotecha (Vice-Chair), Janee Briesemeister, Amanda Lewis, Isabel Lopez-Aguilar, and Tanya Winters

Staff in Attendance:

Ray Baray, Chief of Staff; Marion Sanchez, Community Engagement Consultant.

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- a. Richard Yuen

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Motion to approve minutes of the June 28, 2016 meeting by Vice-Chair Kotecha and seconded by Commissioner Winters. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Asian American QOL Budget:
 - i. Item #19: Include the following language: recruitment of staff that speaks languages other than English and Spanish in a manner that is representative of Austin's diverse population's linguistic needs as well as professional development of existing city staff to ensure that higher management also reflects the demographics of this community. Lopez-Aguilar made the motion to approve item 19 with the additional language. Seconded by Commissioner Lewis. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.
 - ii. Items 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, and 20: these recommendations are selected for support of funding because the members of the JIC Commission feels that each one of them speak in the spirit of increase equity and services to the citizens of Austin. Lopez Aguilar made the motion to approve the additional language and support the items mentioned above. Commissioner Briesemeister seconded the motion. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.
- b. H/LQOL Budget:

- i. Motion to approve the following items: Teen Pregnancy Prevention Task Force, Language Interpretation/Translation, Outside the Box Dropout Prevention, The Samaritan Center, The City of Austin Equity Office additional funding. These recommendations are selected for support of funding because the members of the JIC Commission feels that each one of them speak in the spirit of increase equity and services to the citizens of Austin. Commissioner Kotecha made the motion to approve the additional language and support the items mentioned above. Commissioner Winters seconded the motion. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.
- ii. Item Youth Unlimited Enhancement and Entrepreneurial Program: Name changed to “Enhancement in Entrepreneurial Programs for at-risk Youth,” Also budget changed from \$57,000.00 to \$300,000.00. Also include the following language: goals and objectives of his funding opportunity would be to provide money for a non-profit to implement a program that is designed to work with the most at-risk students both inside and outside of the classroom. The rest of the summary remains the same. Motion made to approved this item by Commissioner Kotecha. Seconded by Commissioner Briesemeister. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. None

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. None

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. None

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Note: This section of the agenda gives the members an opportunity to request items for future agendas. By City ordinance, two board members are required to sponsor an item. Staff should assume that if there is no objection from other members expressed at the meeting, the members' silence indicates approval for staff to include on the next agenda.

- a. Invite Health & Human Services for a presentation. The preference of the Commissioners is to ask Kymberley Maddox, Assistant Director, Administration.

ADJOURNMENT

- a. Commissioner Kotecha moved and seconded by Commissioner Lopez-Aguilar to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed on a unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm