



Attendees: Councillor David Pickles, Chair
 Kirk Mark, Community Appointee
 Sethu Madhavan, Community Appointee
 Tiera Dookhie, J. Clarke Richardson School
 Emily Honsberger, Dunbarton High School
 Becky George, Pickering Public Library
 Fred Gibson, Pickering Carib Canadian Cultural Association
 Philip Howard, Durham District School Board
 Marisa Carpino, City of Pickering
 Linda Roberts, Recording Secretary

Absent: Margaret Lazarus, Valley Farm Public School
 Tanya Malika Foster, Community Appointee
 Sylvie Morel-Foster, Durham Catholic District School Board

Guest: Audrey Andrews, Regional Municipality of Durham

Item / Ref #	Details & Discussion & Conclusion <i>(summary of discussion)</i>	Action Items / Status <i>(include deadline as appropriate)</i>
1.0	Welcome	All
	Council Pickles welcomed everyone and introductions were made.	
2.0	Review & Approval of Agenda & Minutes	All
	Marisa reviewed the action items from the September 4 th minutes; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmed that the letters had gone out to invite the organizations to attend our meetings • Name badges – can be done, please inform Marisa as to how you would like your name to appear 	
3.0	Guest Speaker	
	Councillor Pickles introduced our guest speaker Audrey Andrews, Region of Durham. Audrey thanked the Committee for inviting her out to the meeting. She provided the Committee with an outline of the goals and objectives of the Regional Diversity and Immigration Partnership Council strategy and	

	<p>their progress to date. She outlined the Council's progress to date and noted their desire to obtain the support of the Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She explained the Region is taking a lead in this project in the hopes of bringing it all together under one regional strategy. • They have received their mandate from Regional Council. • They have put together a proposal, a copy of which was passed around for the Committee to view • Funding proposal has yet to be approved • Handouts were provided to Committee members • Asked for our input • Community consultation paper copies were handed out • Council itself will be key to implement strategy • Oct 17th – consultation and planning day at Heydenshore Pavilion in Whitby with 150 service providers invited • Will take place from 8:30 – 4:30 with lunch provided <p>Audrey noted their desire to have members of the Committee attend, Marisa noted she will be attending, and Becky indicated possibly Cathy Grant from the Library would attend as well. Councillor Pickles will also attend. Marisa indicated she will be contact person .</p> <p>Discussion ensued with respect to funding. Audrey explained the purpose and mandate of the working groups.</p> <p>Audrey will forward the names of the two school board reps to Marisa And a PDF copy of the Consultation paper document to Linda to forward electronically to the Committee. She had asked the Committee if they could provide comments within the next 30 days, as they hope to have the Council formed by December 1st, 2008.</p> <p>Audrey summarized the three main points of the Local Diversity and Immigration Partnership Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness and Inclusivity • Service enhancement • Collaborative infrastructure • <p>It was suggested that any comments be forwarded to the Committee.</p>	<p>Marisa/Linda to action</p>
<p>4.0</p>	<p>2008 Activities</p>	
	<p>4.1) <u>2008 Annual Work Plan</u></p> <p>Marisa reviewed the items on our 2008 work plan and asked the Committee to not lose sight of this and to continue to look at it to analyze and assess.</p>	

	<p>5.2) <u>Golf Day</u></p> <p>Kirk provided an update on this event:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He has received various prices and the Committee was in agreement that Annandale would be a good choice. • Reasonable price (\$82.12) and the location is good. • Dates for the event were discussed with the most popular one being June 21st. • It was noted that this could be a problem for students being that it is in the middle of exams, which would limit the availability of the student volunteers • Sunday would be a better day as Saturdays are too busy. • Start time would be noon. • Keep costs between \$100.00 and \$150.00 • Corporate sponsors would offset costs <p>Tiera and Seth volunteered to help Kirk with this event.</p> <p>5.3) <u>Heritage Day</u></p> <p>Marisa advised the Committee on various options for holding this event as the centre court in the Pickering Town Centre will not be available due to continuing construction.</p>	
6.0	Next Meeting	
	Next Meeting: November 6, 2008	

Meeting Adjourned: 9:30 pm

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