



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Advisory Committee to the Mayor's Office of LGBTQ Affairs Meeting

Agenda

May 2, 2017

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Frank D. Reeves Municipal Center, 2000 14th Street NW
2nd Floor, Office of LGBTQ Affairs, Washington, DC 20009

Meeting Minutes:

This meeting was called to order at 6:44pm by David Perez, Chair

- 15 Commissioner were in attendance: David M. Pérez, Dr. Imani Woody, Thomas Sanchez, Consuella Lopez, Leticia Lopez, Sheldon Scott, Nicole Armstead, Andrea Sharrin, Victoria Kirby-York, Abdur-Rahim Briggs, Reginald Greer, Bradley Lewis, Jamie Grant, Dwayne Bensing, and Randy Downs
- 1 Staffer was in attendance: Sheila Alexander-Reid
- Members of the Public were in attendance.
- February meeting minutes were completed by Nicole Armstead, secretary. Minutes were reviewed by committee members. Lettuce Lopez made move to approve minutes; move made second by Reginald Greer. Motion carried and confirmed by David Perez.

Report by Sheila Alexander-Reid, Director, Mayor's Office of LGBTQ Affairs

- A. Increasing safety and support for transgender inmates of DC Correctional Facilities, to include updated training for all correctional officers, affirming housing/pod assignments based upon gender identity, and facilitating support groups for transgender and intersex inmates.
- B. Pilot gender neutral bathrooms, beginning at Reeves Center (with support of Gender Neutral Bathroom Sub-committee members: Sheila Alexander Reid, Jim Slattery, Consuella Lopez, Leti Gomez, and Nicole Armstead)
- C. Equality March, scheduled 06/11/2017

Public Comment: Focus on LGBTQ Youth & Homelessness

- A. *District of Columbia Office Child and Family Services, Brandynicole Brooks, LICSW and Dr. Regina Lawson.* Presentation: "Connecting Rainbows Initiative" for LGBTQ youth engaged with the DC foster care system. Presentation focused on the following: mandatory training for staff involved with LGBTQ youth in foster care, recruitment of LGBTQ foster and adoptive homes, policy, and data.
 - a. Public Comment from community organizations and community leaders
 - 1. Mark Covington, LPC Therapist

2. Catalina Velasquez, Consult Catalina
3. June Crenshaw, Interim Executive Director of Wanda Alston House
4. Ruby Corado, Casa Ruby
5. AARP

Old Business:

- Subcommittee on LGBTQ Aging Issues, members: Dr. Imani Woody, Julius Agers, Reggie Greer, and Jaime Grant. Dr. Woody shared development of long-term goals to improve quality of life for LGBTQ senior communities.

New business:

- PRIDE Month updates to include: Parade, March, Festival; DC Black Pride events include: 5th Annual Party with a Purpose Old School Dance Party, by Mary's House
- Announcement by Consuella Lopez: How can Whitman-Walker Health increase accountability when addresses how medical providers receive complaints, specifically against transgender women of color?

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm