



LGBTQ+ Advisory Board Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 01/26/2023

Meeting Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Mayor's Office of Community Affairs Office – 51 E Galena Boulevard, Aurora, IL 60505

- Call to Order
 - Meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM
- Roll Call
 - All board members were present – Ivan Quinones, Sean Li, Brittney Borowicz-Keller, Adam Pauley, Michael Vargas, Briana Moss, Paulene Spika, Zachary Bishop, Frederick Yanos
 - Also, in attendance was Mike Nelson, the board's staff liaison and Felicia Freitag, the board's assistant staff liaison.
- Others Present
 - Ryan Maley – Commissioner for the COA Human Relations Commission
- Public Comment
 - Introduction from Ryan Maley - Commissioner for the COA Human Relations Commission
- Introductions
 - All board members gave brief introductions and shared reasons why they joined the board
- Member Guide
 - The staff liaison asked all board members to review the Member Guide before the follow meeting occurs in February
- Leadership/Elections Discussion

- The staff liaison went over the board positions that will need to be filled (listed below).
The board agreed that in February, anyone who wishes to fill a position will inform the board. The board then agreed that in March, official elections will occur.
 - Chairperson
 - Vice Chairperson
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
- Board Strategy/Focus for the Year
 - The board discussed many areas of importance:
 - Creating LGBTQ+-related events/activities beyond June – all year long
 - Creating peer/mentoring programs
 - Hosting monthly mixers
 - Receiving input from the community on what is important to them – creating a survey/questionnaire
 - Education
 - Healthcare
 - Creating workshops
 - Creating events that would occur during Pride month
 - Resources
 - Transgender education
 - Public service projects
 - Youth fairs
- Next Meeting
 - Thursday, February 23rd | 6:00 PM | 51 E Galena Boulevard, Aurora, IL 60505
- Adjournment
 - Meeting was adjourned at 7:02 PM.