



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

DIVERSITY AFFAIRS AND INCLUSIVENESS COMMITTEE

PORTAGE COUNTY ANNEX
CONFERENCE ROOMS 1 & 2
1462 STRONGS AVENUE
STEVENS POINT, WI 54481

Thursday, August 11, 2022

4:30 PM

REMOTE ATTENDANCE & COMMENT

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CALL TO ORDER

The Diversity Affairs and Inclusiveness committee was called to order by Committee Chair Miresse in Conference Rooms 1&2 at 4:30pm.

Members Present:

Attending In-Person: Supervisor Miressee, Jennifer Bushman, Supervisor Honl, Supervisor Rockman, Dustin Moen, Miguelgabriel Campos. Valerie Hartman joined the meeting at 4:47.

Staff Attending: Robin Falk

Others Attending: Supervisor Keller, Nathan Sandwick, Supervisor Soik, other members of the public.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The July meeting minutes were not properly appended to the packet and will be included in next month's agenda.

1. [July 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)

REPORTS

CORRESPONDENCE

2. WCA Regional Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) [Meetings in August](#)

3. Article: ["The diversity and inclusion revolution: Eight powerful truths"](#)

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION**4. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Regarding Special Meeting Attendance (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)**

- Request for special meeting attendance
- Approval of attendance of special meetings
- Special meeting attendance reports

Supervisor Miresse, Jennifer Bushman, and Miguelgabriel Campos expressed interest in attending a WCA Regional Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) meeting. Other committee members had conflicts preventing attendance.

5. Discussion Only - Presentation by Nathan Sandwick, Community Development Educator, UW-Cooperative Extension: What we need to know about civic leadership

Verbal presentation by Nathan Sandwick.

6. Discussion Only - Portage County Ordinance 3.1.6 Diversity and Inclusiveness Committee

Committee discussion regarding goals of the committee for this two-year term. General consensus is to invite County staff from pertinent departments to present to the committee, and invite stakeholders to attend as audience and participate via public comment.

NEXT MEETING DATE**7. Thursday September 8th, 2022**

Thursday, September 8th 2022 at 4:30 in Conference Rooms 1 & 2

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn carried by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm

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