

MINUTES: Status of Women Committee

Wednesday, April 23, 2015 - 5:30 p.m.

Room 193, Hamilton City Hall

PRESENT: Catherine Hughes, Patti McNaney, Myra James, Denise

Christopherson, Katherine Kalinowski, Baldeep Virk

REGRETS: Denise Spoelstra, Basharat Tayyab, Jeannie Howe, Adele

Alfano (leave of absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Maxine Carter, Access & Equity, Janet Pilon, Clerks; Mark

Weingartner Neighbourhood and Community Initiatives City of

Hamilton

1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS.

- The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.
- All were welcomed.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None declared.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

• The agenda was reviewed

(K. Kalinowski/P. McNaney)

That the Hamilton Status of Women Advisory Committee approves the agenda, of the April 23, 2015 meeting, as presented.

CARRIED.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

4.1 Minutes of March 25, 2015.

• Catherine Hughes was present at this meeting. Her name will be added as "Present".

(B. Virk/K. Kalinowski)

That the Hamilton Status of Women Advisory Committee approve the minutes of the March 25, 2015 meeting, as amended.

CARRIED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

There was no business arising from the minutes.

BUSINESS/DISCUSSION.

6.1 Work Plan - Development Tools.

This item was tabled.

6.2 Child Minding for Members.

This item was tabled.

6.3 Up for Debate Event.

- A co-op student and staff from the YWCA are working on the flyer and the agenda for the "Up For Debate" event
- A conference call was scheduled for the organizing committee, to meet next week, to continue to plan the event
- The event flyer will be sent out to the committee next week
- The event is scheduled for 2 hours from 5:30 7:30 p.m.
- The Visual Monitor, Pam Hubbard has confirmed
- The topics to be discussed are: Violence Against Women, Homelessness, Childcare, Equal Pay for Equal Work and more.

7. NEW BUSINESS.

Volunteer Advisory Committee Consultation.

Janet Pilon, Manager Legislative Services/ Deputy Clerk and Mark Weingartner, Senior Policy Analyst consulted with the advisory committee members to gather their input regarding any issues, concerns and recommendations for the reestablishment of the City's Volunteer Advisory Committees. The information will be included in a Council Report to be presented on June 17, 2015.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS and INFORMATION SHARING.

- 8.1 An event "Women in Leadership Speed Networking" is sponsored by the RBC, and hosted by the YWCA from 5:30 7:30 p.m. at the Hamilton Public Library, 4th Floor
 - D. Christopherson to send flyers to staff for distribution.

9. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

NEXT MEETING Wednesday, May 28, 2015 5:30 p.m. – Room 193, City Hall