



## Hamilton

**Minutes**  
**LGBTQ Advisory Committee**  
**Thursday, December 14, 2017, 6:00 p.m.**  
**City Hall, 71 Main St. W., Room 860**

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**Present:** Marlon Picken, Hibbs Briscoe, Kristeen Sprague, Debbie Wooldridge, Violetta Nikolskaya, Kate Dalton, Autumn Getty

**Regrets:** Ron Vine, David DaSilva

**Absent:** James Diemert, Councillor Aidan Johnson, Councillor Matthew Green

**Staff:** Betsy Pocop

**Guests:** Jennifer Talbot, Program Manager, Native Women's Centre  
Abdi Aden, Trans Job Working Group, Mohawk College

**Recorder:** Betsy Pocop

**Chair:** H. Briscoe

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### **First Nations, Metis, Inuit Recognition**

K. Sprague did an opening

### **Welcome/Introductions**

H. Briscoe welcomed members and guests.

#### **1. Changes to the Agenda**

- Date for next meeting should read: January 18, 2018
- Removal of Item 5.4 – Learning Moment
- Addition of Item – Pride Hamilton Community Call-In event

### **Motion #1**

#### **D. Wooldridge/M. Picken**

That the LGBTQ Advisory Committee accepts the agenda of December 14, 2017, as amended.

**CARRIED**

#### **2. Declaration of Interest**

- None declared

#### **3. Review and Approval of Minutes**

- Correction of spelling for organization is BentQ

### **Motion #2**

#### **M. Picken/K. Sprague**

That the minutes of November 16, 2017 be approved, as amended.

**4. Presentations**

- None
- Introduction of guests

**5. Business/Discussion Items**

**5.1 Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

**5.1.1 Equity and Inclusion Lens Toolkit Consultation**

- B. Pocop to follow up regarding E. Myrie speaking with the Committee

**5.2 Advisory Name Change**

- Committee will hold a community consultation in 2018 regarding changes to the name of the advisory committee

**5.3 Terms of Reference**

- The Committee deferred discussion of the item to the January 2018 meeting

**Motion #3**

**M. Picken/ K. Sprague**

That the LGBTQ Committee defer the discussion regarding the Terms of Reference until the January 2018 meeting.

CARRIED

**5.4 Trans Day of Remembrance Update**

- A. Getty provided an update
- There were 3 speakers and 3 youth speakers
- Over 100 attendees to the event
- The Committee discussed the successes and challenges of the event and learnings for future planning

**5.5 Learning Moment**

- Item removed from agenda

**5.6 End of Year Celebration**

- Committee members discussed food options
- Looking to make bus tickets available for individuals who attend the Open House event

**5.7 2018 Point in Time Connection**

- A request was forwarded to the Committee for a representative to speak to the Committee regarding the 2018 Point in Time Connection at the January 2018 meeting
- The Committee welcomes the guest speaker and requests that time be allocated for a Q&A and feedback session to discuss issue of homelessness within the LGBTQ community

**5.8 Communicating with Media**

- K. Sprague requested clarification regarding members speaking about the Advisory Committee to the media
- Chair speaks on behalf of the committee, individuals are able to speak on their own behalf if looking to share own opinions and experiences

**5.9 Pride Hamilton Community Call-In event**

- K. Dalton/M. Picken provided information

- There is a call -in for community members who are interested in joining Pride Hamilton committee; it is also a consultation for Pride programming
- Sessions to be held on January 10 and January 13 at Evergreen Community Centre
- Community members are encouraged to attend if they are interested in joining the committee and running for executive positions – election of executive positions will happen following the two sessions

## **6 Announcements/ Information Sharing**

- K. Sprague asked to attend Hamilton Police Service Pride events
- Committee discussed historical relationship between LGBTQ community and police services
- M. Picken to discuss the historical relationship further during learning moment at January 2018 meeting

## **7 Adjournment**

### **Motion #4**

#### **M. Picken/D. Wooldridge**

That the LGBTQ Committee adjourns their meeting of December 14, 2017.

**CARRIED**

The meeting of December 14, 2017 was adjourned at 7:45pm.