

NAUGATUCK CULTURAL COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Wednesday, July 20, 2011
Naugatuck High School Resource Center

Attendees: Chair Ralph Roper, Co-Chair Maria Fidalgo, Co-Vice Chair Indira Reyes, Ed Carter, Sandra Heller, Bob Mezzo, Jocelyn Miller, Vanessa Vowe, Monroe Webster,

Press: None

The following matters were discussed:

- Pledge of Allegiance and introductions;
- Unanimous approval of Motion to Approve Minutes of June 15, 2011 – Motion by Sandra Heller / Second (2nd) by Ed Carter;
- Review of the past two (2) meetings and Everyday Democracy experience. Discussion regarding the logistics involved of having a community dialogue in Naugatuck.
- Discussion regarding need to increase participation with Naugatuck Cultural Council and strategies to reach more potential members.
- Discussion regarding need for members to take ownership of particular initiatives of the Council.
- Unanimous approval of Motion to Adjourn – Motion by Ed Carter / Second (2nd) by Sandra Heller.

The following ACTION ITEMS emanating from the meeting:

- Draft flyer to be developed in multiple languages in both electronic and print form, promoting Council to be presented for review. Co-Chair Maria Fidalgo; Co-Chair Indira Reyes, Sandra Heller.
- Inventory of community groups and organizations to be developed including contact names and information. Sandra Heller, Bridget Mariano, Jocelyn Miller and Vanessa Vowe.
- Personal phone calls to be made to key stakeholders based upon inventory list discussed above. Bob Mezzo
- Contact list of existing members to be created and distributed. Bob Mezzo
- Personal phone calls to be made to existing committee chairs to be made to gauge interest and capacity for leading particular initiatives. Bob Mezzo
- Next meeting agenda to include “Committee Time” break-out sessions.
- Explore possibility of forming a Naugatuck Cultural Council, in ethnic dress, to participate in annual Sao Paio Celebration Parade (September 3, 2011). To be determined.

NEXT MEETING – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2011, 6:00 PM
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Respectfully submitted,



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