

WINNEBAGO COUNTY DIVERSITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Called by: Chairperson,
Tim Nabors

Members: Jaime Salgado,
L.C. Wilson, Michele Caldwell,
Tommy Meeks, Maria Fernandez,
Dorothy Redd, Valerie Hanserd

DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024

TIME: 4:30 PM

LOCATION: ROOM 510
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BLDG
404 ELM STREET
ROCKFORD, IL 61101

AGENDA:

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of Minutes – March 13, 2024
- D. Public Comment – This is the time we invite the public to address the Winnebago County Diversity Council with issues and concerns. We ask you to limit your comments to three minutes. Personal attacks or inappropriate language of any sort will not be tolerated. We will allow a maximum of five speakers on a first come basis with sign up at the meeting. Speakers may not address zoning matters which are pending before the ZBA, the Zoning Committee or the County Board. Personnel matters or pending or threatened litigation may not be addressed in open session. An individual may speak a maximum of three times per calendar year on the same topic. This prohibition shall include the repetition of the same topic in a statement on what is purported to be a different topic. After acknowledgement by the chair, please stand and state your name. Thank you.
- E. Treasurer Report
- F. Discussion Items
- G. Other Items
- H. Adjournment

**Winnebago County Board
Diversity Council Meeting**
County Administration Building
404 Elm Street, Room 510
Rockford, IL 61101

Wednesday, March 13, 2024
4:30 PM

Present:

Tim Nabors, **Chairperson**
Maria Fernandez, **Vice Chairperson**
Dorothy Redd
Jaime Salgado
L.C. Wilson

Others Present:

Absent:

Michele Caldwell
Valerie Hanserd
Tommy Meeks

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Call to Order

Chairperson Nabors called the meeting to order at 4:38 PM.

Roll Call

Chairperson Nabors yes, Maria Fernandez yes, Dorothy Redd yes, Jaime Salgado yes, L.C. Wilson yes.

Approval of Minutes – June 28, 2023

Chairperson Nabors entertained a motion to approve the minutes of June 28, 2023.

Motion: L.C. Wilson. Second: Jaime Salgado.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

Chairperson Nabors omitted reading the Public Comment Section of the Agenda due to no one present to speak.

Treasurer Report

- Mr. Salgado advised the current balance is \$3,689.11.
- The last check written was in December 2023 in the amount of \$800 for a table at the NAACP banquet.

- The previous check written was \$500 for Inner City Reconstruction, a donation towards the Tommy Meeks Juneteenth celebration.

Chairperson Nabors entertained a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Motion: L.C. Wilson. Second: Dorothy Redd.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion Items

- **Department Diversity** – Mr. Wilson spoke on the diversity within the County departments. Mr. Wilson asked that an EEO report for all departments be presented for review at the next Diversity Council meeting.
- **Juneteenth Celebration** – The Council discussed the Diversity Council and Winnebago County supporting the 2024 Juneteenth Celebration. The Council discussed asking the Chairman for a donation this year and also requesting it be included in the 2025 County budget. Mr. Wilson shared a flyer with the Council for the Juneteenth Banquet April 18, 2024 and discussed sponsoring the event.
- **Calendar of Events** – Chairperson Nabors suggested creating a Calendar of Events.
- **Diversity Council Members** – A discussion took place on contacting a Council member who has been absent from meetings since 2022.
- **Purchasing Department** – Discussion took place on training minorities in a Purchasing capacity. The Council agreed to invite Hope Edwards, Purchasing Director to the next Diversity Council meeting to discuss further.
- **Next Diversity Council Meeting** – Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 4:30 pm.
- **Job Fairs** – Discussion took place on attending upcoming Job Fairs.

Other Items

- Juneteenth Celebration.
Chairperson Nabors entertained a motion to be a supporting sponsor for Juneteenth at the \$250 level.
Motion: L.C. Wilson. Second: Dorothy Redd.
Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- Booker Washington African American Resource Center at Booker Washington Fundraiser Banquet.
Chairperson Nabors entertained a motion to approve the purchase of four tickets in the amount of \$300 total.
Motion: Maria Fernandez. Second: L.C. Wilson.
Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- Discussion on ensuring the Diversity Council remains intact. A suggestion was made on partnering with the Arts Council with their local art showcases and murals. Maria Fernandez will look into this.

Adjournment

Chairperson Nabors entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Dorothy Redd. Second: L. C. Wilson.

Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bleile
Administrative Assistant