

Easton Diversity and Inclusion Task Force (EDIT)
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 1, 2022 at 7:30pm
Community Room at Easton Public Library and via Zoom

1. Call To Order

Darrell Harris called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Darrell Harris, Hilary Desmond, Whendi Cook Broderick

Absent: Kevin Oliver. Although Kevin had intended to participate via Zoom, he was unable to. This resulted in no quorum for the meeting.

3. Approval of Minutes

Darrell noted that the Task Force had not met since May 5. Although minutes for that meeting had been submitted to the Town, the link on the Town website does not display the document. The matter will be remedied and the May minutes will be set for approval at the next meeting.

3A. Special Announcements

Darrell announced that Adam Parker submitted his resignation from the Task Force (on July 19). The Board of Selectmen accepted his resignation at their regular meeting on July 21, 2022.

Adam's post as Secretary is now vacant. Whendi agreed to serve as temporary secretary for this meeting. Hilary agreed to serve as temporary secretary for the October meeting. A new Secretary will be appointed at such time as a quorum warrants.

The First Selectman advised residents of vacancies in his July 29 community message. The Task Force will publish an announcement in the Easton Courier next week.

4. Public Comment

No public comment.

5. Board Member Comment

Hilary suggested that in moving forward to modify the Task Force Charge, the team might look at existing documents from groups with similar mission and purpose in nearby towns.

6. Discussion

The group discussed Hilary's proposal to review the charges of other local DEI groups. Hilary will initiate a revised draft charge to be shared with the public via the Easton Courier in approximately two weeks, inviting input from the community ahead of the October meeting.

7. Subcommittee Updates

No reports. Subcommittees will be addressed following the revision of the Charge.

8. Adjourn

Darrell made motion to adjourn. Seconded by Whendi. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Whendi Cook Broderick, Co-Chair
Temporary secretary for 9/1/22