

Healthy Pontiac, We Can!

Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2017

Members Present:

Sonia Acosta	Centro Multicultural La Familia
Karen Chappell	Girl Scouts
Robert Dawson	All Saints Produce Market
Jeff Fohey	Chamber/Pontiac Sun Time Bank
Silvia Guerra	Catholic Charities HOS
Juanita Harper	Dare to Dream
Rosana Hull	General Motors Pontiac
Kathalee James	Friends of Pontiac Parks
Craig Jefferson	Pontiac Community Activist
Jennifer Kirby	Oakland County Health Division
Floyd Kopietz	D for Detroit
Jennifer Lucarelli	Oakland University
Kelli Marshall	Blue Cross Complete
James McQueen	Lighthouse at Oakland
John Meyer	All Saints Church – Resale / Community Breakfast
Canequia Moulder	Oakland Primary Health Services
Kristina Ottenwess	Oakland County Health Division
Kate Rettler	Oakland County Health Division
Carla Roseman	Oakland County Health Division
Laurel Stevenson	Oakland University
Sean Sylvester	Common Ground
Virginia Uhley	OUIB School of Medicine
Jessica William	Oakland County Health Division
Melissa Ann Williams	Oakland County Health Division
Kristen Wiltfang	OC Economic Development & Community Affairs
Trisha Zizumbo	Oakland County Health Division
Danielle Zuccaro	Common Ground

Guests Present:

Oakland University MPH Students

Staff Present:

Shannon Brownlee	Oakland County Health Division
Signa Metivier	Oakland County Health Division

1. Introductions / Approval of Minutes

The regular meeting of Healthy Pontiac, We Can! was called to order by J. Lucarelli at 1:00 p.m. on March 14, 2017 at the GM Global Propulsion System - Performance and Racing Center, 950 N. Glenwood Ave., Pontiac 48340.

Minutes from January 10, 2017 were provided but not approved during meeting.

2. Partnership Speed Dater: Rosana Hull, General Motors

R. Hull provided a quick review of campus and safety/emergency procedures.

She told members the campus name has changed from GM Powertrain to Global Propulsion Systems to encompass the non-traditional powertrains, electrifications, and fuel cell research. There are about 4,000 employees at the Pontiac site. They are a 24/7 operation with the bulk of employees being engineers but also having a large lab community. All GM sponsored race engines are built by hand at the Pontiac facility and flown to races around the world and back for recalibration.

R. Hull reviewed GM's Top Five Purposes and Values focusing on "serve and improve the communities in which we live and work around the world." She highlighted for members some of GM's 2016 Community Outreach projects in Pontiac with HPWC, Baldwin Center, GM Cares Week, and the Pontiac School District.

Dayne Thomas, Chairman of the Pontiac Planning Commission and Co-Chair of the Committee to Revitalize Historic GM Housing shared photos of homes built by GM, from 1919 – 1927, for its employees to purchase. The association has a plan to restore this historic neighborhood by replacing street signs, installing historic signage, and improving forestation in the neighborhood. He informed members the City of Pontiac has lacked a forestation policy for the last three to four decades so there has been no pruning, cutting, or reforestation of trees in the neighborhoods.

D. Thomas informed members he bought seven parcels in his Pontiac neighborhood where he has created a vineyard, orchards, and community gardens.

On April 22nd there will be a clean-up on the lower part of Oliver Street. On June 3rd at Oakland Park, which sits at the end of this historic neighborhood, there will be a community engagement event to find out what the residents want/need in the park.

3. Cultural Competency Training

S. Acosta provided members with a condensed version of the 40 hour Cultural Competency Training she provides at Centro Multicultural LaFamilia. Several members of HPWC have taken the full course. S. Acosta shared Dr. Okokon O. Uda's definition of cultural competency with members, saying it is "a deep respect for cultural differences, eager to learn and willing to accept that there are many ways of seeing the world."

S. Acosta told members when talking about cultural competency you need to think beyond ethnicity and race. She shared information on visible and invisible diversity and how a person's image of themselves in the world can leave them feeling either powerless or powerful.

Members partnered in a cultural competency exercise and discussed the story of their first name, the ethnicities and languages represented in their backgrounds, and their individual health beliefs.

S. Acosta provided members with informational sheets on Title VI which protects people receiving Federal financial assistance from discrimination based on race, color, or national origin and Executive Order 13166 which requires Federal agencies to identify and provide meaningful services to persons with limited English proficiency (LEP).

4. Partnership Updates

All Saints Episcopal Church Rummage Sale is March 29th – April 1, 2017, 171 West Pike, Pontiac.

J. Harper informed members Trinity Missionary Baptist Church has established a non-profit foundation called "Dare to Dream Pontiac." The focus of the foundation is to engage youth and seniors in activities. On March 25th they are hosting an expunging fair at the church from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and for the first 50 people the cost is \$10. In June

they are hosting a football and cheer clinic. The church sits next to the Clinton River Trail and has a grounds crew which they are willing to share with other organizations.

Centro Multicultural La Familia will provide Zumba classes on Fridays at All Saints Church from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. followed by a nutrition class in Spanish at 11 a.m.

Centro Multicultural will host a wine and cheese art exhibit fundraiser on April 28th, at the Alley Cat Café, 31 N. Saginaw, Pontiac.

K. James informed members Friends of Pontiac Parks requested funding from the City of Pontiac's Neighborhood Empowerment for Pontiac Parks Alive fund which will create twelve champion groups to take care of specific Pontiac Parks.

Friends of Pontiac Parks is looking for five corporate sponsors to donate \$500 each for their "1st Annual Awards" ceremony, July 8, 2017, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

F. Kopietz informed members on Thursday, March 23rd there is a live stream of a scientific workshop on Vitamin D deficiency. See him for details.

J. Lucarelli shared information on Oakland University's "Healthology Symposium." HPWC will be highlighted during this event.

5. Adjournment:

Being no further business, J. Lucarelli adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 1 p.m. on May 9, 2017 at the Lighthouse of Oakland County, 46156 Woodward Ave., Pontiac, 48342.

Minutes submitted by: Signa Metivier

Approved by: Shannon Brownlee