

### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Asian American Commission

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#### Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 4:30pm to 6:00pm Asian American Civic Association, 87 Tyler St, Boston, MA 02111

Absent Commissioners are highlighted and remote participants are indicated by an asterisk\*. Quorum was reached by attendance

- Approval of minutes from March 13, 2019 VOTE
  Minutes approved, Loan abstains
- 2. Executive Committee Report
  - Pralhad provided an overview of the Executive Committee report
  - Loan provided overview of Little Saigon cultural district effort in Dorchester
- 3. FY19 Remaining Funds
  - Jenny to look into liability issues with Treasury in decreasing hours after July 1
  - Motion to increase part time staff up to 30 hours a week term ends on June 30, 2019 and subject to Commission vote again. Mary C. and Loan abstain – motion passes

#### 4. AAC Protocol

- a. Concerns around Conflict of Interest (COI)
- b. Perception of COI in programming and how AAC should address this
  - Deferred for subsequent discussion
- 5. Unity Dinner/Fundraiser (Anil, Pralhad, & Vanna, Co-Chairs, 10 mins)
  - Currently at \$25,000 raised
  - 142 confirmed to attend
- 6. AAC Transition Special Election Process
  - Nominations for Meena and Anil to fill Secretary position, Anil accepts
  - Vote passes for Anil as Secretary
- 7. Strategic Planning Updates (Kim & Jenny, 10 mins)
  - Jay distributed a comparison chart with the Black and Latino Commission
  - Advisory Commissions act for the Governor
  - Recently found that Asian Advisory Commission still exists
- 8. Subcommittee updates (if any): max time 3 mins each
  - Legislation Committee (Nate, Chair) Deferred for subsequent discussion
  - PR Committee (Mary L., Chair) Deferred for subsequent discussion
  - Finance/Admin (Chung, Chair) Deferred for subsequent discussion



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- Health and Human Services (Ivy, Chair) Deferred for subsequent discussion
- Young Leaders Symposium (Kim & Nina, Co-Chairs) Deferred for subsequent discussion
- Economic Development (Mary C., Chair) Deferred for subsequent discussion
- 9. Old business
- 10. New Business
- 11. Next Commission meeting: Every second Wednesday, May 8, 2019
- 12. Other Community updates & Meeting adjourned



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