

#### Attendance:

- 12 People
- New attendees
  - Rosemary Woods, owner of Art for the Soul Gallery, Springfield
  - New Commissioner Emma Chen-Banas

#### Upcoming Events

- Bayanihan Association Filipino Independence Day Parade
  - Sunday, June 2nd in NYC
- Springfield Dragon Boat Festival
  - Saturday, July 20th 8:00-4:00
  - North Riverfront Park, Springfield MA
- CAWM vending at West Springfield 250th Anniversary
  - Saturday June 22nd - Sunday June 23rd
  - West Springfield Town Common
- Asian Community Cultural Fair
  - September 14th, 12:00 - 4:00
  - Heritage Park, North Main Street, East Long Meadow

#### Issues

- People who may need the most assistance/support may not be able to attend meeting
  - How can we get in contact with them or learn from them?
    - Potentially outsourcing to individual communities to relay info?
  - Linguistic/cultural barriers
    - Resources may not be available in native languages
    - Pasifika tend to feel on guard when included in “AAPI” label
      - Hesitant to respond because they are afraid of being disregarded
      - May need to be reached out to through Pasifika people/orgs
- Government employees often disregard AAPI people
  - Politicians have said they would attend meetings/events and then didn't
  - Commissioners tried to meet with Mayor in the past and felt blown off

#### Next Quarterly Meeting

- Date/Time/Location
  - August/September
  - Soul Art Gallery (Springfield)
- Logistical issues
  - Finding a date/time that allows more attendees
  - Springfield has been the main location for awhile
    - Limiting to other communities from further away
      - Dr. Chu and Evan are planning to meet with other communities