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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 21 · 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM EST

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83421971270>

*Please note this meeting will be recorded and held via zoom & teleconference in compliance with the Governor's Executive Order on the Open Meeting Law

Attachments: Please review meeting folder for the complete package

1. Call to Order (1 minute)
2. Public Comment (3 minutes)

New Business:

3. Executive Committee Elections: 1+ Year Term (10 minutes)
 - a. Chair
 - b. Treasurer
4. Review Commission Mission & Norms: New Chair (5 minutes)

Old Business:

5. Executive Director Search Updates (10 minutes)
 - a. Moana Bentin | Tuyet Tran
6. Diwali at the State House (5 minutes)
 - a. Updates: Commissioner Rakashi Chand
7. Contract Renewals (VOTE): (15 minutes)
 - a. CPA Contract Renewal
 - b. Interim ED Contract Renewal
 - c. Law Firm Contract Renewal
8. Budget Adjustments - (30 minutes)
 - a. Considerations:
 - i. Budget submitted to TRE as of August 2025
 - ii. Current Community Needs & Priorities
 1. Fear, Immigration: Action Plan
 2. Mental Health: Elevate Dialogue



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3. Intersectionality: Elevate Dialogue
- iii. Other Considerations
 1. In person Commission meetings, Commissioner overnight stay
 2. Internal Policies, Procedures, Administrative Upkeep
 3. Internal Technology Needs
- iv. Deprioritization Options/ Rethinking
 1. Unity Dinner
 2. Data to Dialogue Sessions
 3. Advocacy Day
 4. Youth Council Engagement

Reports: (5 Minutes)

9. ED Report Focus: Non-profit Bank Account, Signatories
10. Sub-Committee & Other Updates

Administrative Items: (5 Minutes)

11. Meeting minutes approval:
 - a. August 19, 2025
 - b. September 16, 2025

Suggestions for future agenda items:

- c. Honorary Commissioners Consideration: Neelam Wali, Paul Lee, Mary Chin
- d. Quarterly In-Person Only Commission Meetings
- e. Commissioner Expectations
12. Meeting Adjournment



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The next AAPIC meeting is Tuesday, November 18th at 6:30 pm EST. Hybrid Meeting with space reserved on 12th Floor, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA.



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