# 4TH REPORT OF THE LONDON DIVERSITY & RACE RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on March 22, 2012, commencing at 12:05 p.m.

PRESENT: M. Edwards (Chair), N. Buteau, S. Kassam, I. Silver, M. Singeris, and J. Martin (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: D. Allan, R. Howse, A. Husain, L. Kowalchuk, D. Lacey, M. Marcellin, K. McManus, J. Robinson and D. Stolarski.

REGRETS: Z. Elijah, P. Shanahan and T. Tomchick-Condon.

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Chair's Update

- That the Chair provided the following updates:
- (a) welcomed D. Allan, LUSO; and,
- (b) the Race Relations Recognition Awards were well received.

# Community Updates

- 2. That the London Diversity & Race Relations Advisory Committee was advised of the following community events and updates, by its members:
- a) Andrew Pinto, Ontario Human Rights Review;
- b) Bud Cory Trail Blazer Award Presentation;
- c) Francophone Week;
- d) Empower London;
- e) Islam and Democracy; and,
- f) International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

#### Nominations Sub-Committee

3. (E) That the London Diversity & Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) heard a verbal update from M. Edwards on behalf of the Nominations Sub-committee; it being noted that the LDRRAC Nominations Sub-committee will invite the Corporate Communications Division to its next meeting.

#### Joint Sub-Committee

4. (F) That the London Diversity & Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) reviewed and received the Joint Sub-committee minutes of its meeting of January 17, 2012 and the <u>attached</u> minutes of its meeting on March 22, 2012, presented by R. Howse.

## **Budget Update**

5. (2) That the London Diversity & Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) postponed an update of the budget from its Committee Secretary to a future meeting.

Equity and Inclusive Education in Thames Valley District School Board 6. (4) That the London Diversity & Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) reviewed and received the <a href="attached">attached</a> presentation from J. Robinson, Thames Valley District School Board and held a general discussion with respect to the Equity and Inclusive Education Strategy in Thames Valley District School Board.

LDRRAC Mandate & Race Relations Policy

- 7. (5) That the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) held a general discussion with respect to the LDRRAC Mandate and Race Relations Policy. The Chair and Committee Secretary will review section B and the Policy Sub-committee will review sections C & D of the existing mandate. This will be correlated with the recent revisions adopted by City Council for LDRRAC's further review and discussion.
- 8. That the London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee (LDRRAC) received and noted the following:

2nd and 3rd Reports of the LDRRAC (a) (1) the 2nd and 3rd Reports of the London Diversity & Race Relations Advisory Committee from its meetings held on January 9, 2012 and February 15, 2012, respectively;

2012 Race Relations Recognition Awards (b) (3) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held February 21 and 22, 2012, with respect to 2012 Race Relations Recognition Awards;

Newcomer Champion Awards (c) (6) a communication dated January 2012, from the Honourable Charles Sousa, Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration with respect to the 2012 Newcomer Champion Awards; and,

Lincoln M. Alexander Award 2012 (d) (7) a communication dated January 2012, from the Honourable Charles Sousa, Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration with respect to the 2012 Lincoln M. Alexander Award.

**Next Meeting** 

9. That the London Diversity & Race Relations Advisory Committee will hold its next meeting on April 19, 2012.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.