

AGENDA
Minnetonka Community Commission
Monday, March 10, 2008, 6:30 p.m.
Shady Oak Room, Minnetonka Community Center

1. Roll Call

David Hakensen, Eduardo Jimenez, Michael Kelly, Paul Kobs, Suraj Kurtakoti, Robbie Rosenthal, Laura Stotts Gorans, Paul Thyren, Anne VanHorne, Barb Westmoreland, Courtney Wieden, Melissa Williamson-Herren

2. Discussion Items

- a. Commission member introductions
 - Introduce Paul Kobs and Suraj Kurtakoti
- b. Review January 28, 2008, meeting minutes
- c. Kids' Fest recap
 - Video may be available for viewing
- d. Ruby Lu book discussion
 - Saturday, April 12, 10:30 a.m. at Ridgedale Library
 - Community Commission representatives?
- e. Spring Eggstravaganza
 - Saturday, March 22, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Community Center
 - Activities:
 - Ukrainian Easter Eggs
 - Spin Art (Melissa)
 - Community Commission representatives are:
 - 10-11 a.m.: Melissa and Paul T.
 - 11 a.m.-12 p.m.: Melissa
 - More representatives needed to help
- f. View "Edina Without Walls: Embracing Diversity Today"

3. Adjourn

Minutes
Minnetonka Community Commission
Meeting of January 7, 2008

1. Roll Call

Commission members present: David Hakensen, Eduardo Jimenez, Michael Kelly, Robbie Rosenthal, Laura Stotts Gorans, Paul Thyren, Anne Vanhorne, Barb Westmoreland, Courtney Wieden, Melissa Williamson-Herren

Commission members absent: David Hakensen, Eduardo Jimenez, Laura Stotts Gorans

Staff: Jacque Larson

Vice Chair Williamson-Herren called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

2. Discussion Items:

a. Review January 7, 2008, meeting minutes

Williamason-Herren asked commission members if they had any changes or additions to the January 7, 2008, minutes.

Kelly moved, Wieden seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2008, community commission meeting. All voted "yes." Motion carried.

b. New commission members

Larson reported to the group that at its January 28 meeting the Minnetonka City Council would appoint Paul Kobs as the newest member of the commission, with a term running from Feb. 1, 2008, to January 31, 2010.

In addition, a candidate for the twelfth and final position on the commission was scheduled to be interviewed by the mayor and Chair David Hakensen on February 4.

c. Star Tribune article: From classroom to community

Larson shared with the group an article from the Star Tribune about a local high school group hosting a cultural event for recent immigrants. She asked the commission if they might be interested in organizing something similar.

The commission liked the idea of partnering with already existing community organizations, such as the Ridgedale YMCA, to identify the needs of the community and possibly host an event.

d. Spring Eggs-travaganza

Larson announced to the group that a Spring Egg-stravaganza is set for Saturday, March 22, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the community center. She suggested the community commission might consider hosting a Ukrainian Easter egg decorating demonstration to highlight this craft as well as draw attention to the large number of Russian immigrants in our community. She will continue working with Minnetonka Heights to help make this activity happen.

- e. Preparation for Feb. 10 Kids' Fest activities**
Commission members signed up for shifts at the Feb. 10 Kids' Fest event, and spent the rest of the meeting designing posters and the heritage tree for the event.
- 4. Adjourn**
Rosenthal moved; VanHorne seconded the motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacque Larson
Community Relations Manager