



**YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
May 1, 2025**

PRESENT: Zoya Hussain, Chair
Cyril Jurdak O'Brien, Vice Chair
Abraham Amusan
Damini Awoyiga
Hebah Eiman
Isabelle Williams
Krystal Mutyabule
Simone Boudreau

REGRETS: Abdullah Ali
Hania Ali

STAFF: Lee Moore, Manager Youth Programs
Dorothy Maponga, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

At the request of the Chair, and with the agreement of the Committee, the Vice Chair chaired the remainder of the meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 20, 2025

MOVED by Abraham Amusan, seconded by Damini Awoyiga

THAT the minutes of March 20, 2025 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Krystal Mutyabule, seconded by Hebah Eiman

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence – None

7.2 Petitions – None

7.3 Presentation – None

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Updated Group Photo

The Committee took their updated group photo.

9.2 COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

9.2.1 Discussion of 2025 Work Plan

The following was before the Committee:

- Handout dated May 1, 2025

Lee Moore, Manager, Youth Programs spoke on the Committee's previous workplan and the work of the Committee, the status of the Committee's social media platforms and membership. Moore responded to the questions of clarification from the Committee.

Dorothy Maponga, Legislative Assistant responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

The Committee identified priorities for their 2025 Work Plan:

- increased engagement and communication with youth in Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) and HRM Councillors;
- implementation of a social media campaign;
- enhanced community outreach with youth, youth organizations and relevant stakeholders;
- increased involvement in the creation of youth programs and policies;
- revision of the Committee's Terms of Reference;
- engagement of youth located in rural HRM;
- youth wellness and safety; and
- inclusion of measurables, timelines and performance indicators.

Maponga and Moore responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – May 15, 2025

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Dorothy Maponga
Legislative Assistant