Coordinators Report – September 20, 2021

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1. **Accessibility & Inclusivity Sub Committee Meeting on June 22, 2021**

- Subcommittee members met and discussed:
    - Terms of reference and the desire to collectively work on amending them for this subcommittee as they are out of date.
    - The state of homelessness in Winnipeg via a presentation by Al Wiebe. Looked at the proactive responses we could have as a city.
    - An update on the Accessibility Plan
    - A requirement to review the Terms of Reference which will be done through the newly created working group. If this is of interest to anyone, please let me know.
    - We have a need for more subcommittee members to join us. Please reach out to Aly to indicate whether you or someone you know would be a good fit for this subcommittee. A chair for this subcommittee is still open.

Equity & Diversity Subcommittee Meeting June 28, 2021

- We now have Nadine Thompson acting as the chair for our Equity and Diversity Subcommittee, congratulations and thank you for your time and commitment.
- A requirement to review the Terms of Reference which will be done through the newly created working group. If this working group is of interest to anyone, please let me know.

We will be calling a meeting for both subcommittees in early October.

Met with the Indigenous Newcomer & Engagement Sector Table June 30, 2021

- We discussed a general overview of this working group, new members, updates with Immigration Partnership Winnipeg as well as spoke about potential ad current upcoming projects and opportunities.
- Meetings with the Social Planning Council/ IPW to discuss partnerships with community stakeholders to discuss an IOTK project that looks at items such as training the trainer, 3 first nations visit, community and bridge building events, and EAL curriculum modules.

Attendance at National conference on behalf of the Mayor – National Summit on Antisemitism – National Summit of Islamophobia – July 21 – 22, 2021

- Although, in 2021 we should not need to have meetings on antisemitism or islamophobia, the two-day conference that I attended was on behalf of the Mayor. The summit was attended by elected officials from all government levels across Canada, speakers from the community, as well as stakeholders.
- There were many stories and informational facts that were discussed with a focus on how we can do our best to ensure safety and health for all.

- See attached notes regarding The Manitoba Islamic Associations' Recommendations for the National Summit on Islamophobia.

Meeting with Jessica (Indigenous Relations Department, City of Winnipeg) regarding the Missing and Murdered Indigenous women – July 22, 2021

- Through this meeting we discussed a partnership the Human Rights Committee and the Indigenous Relations Department that we will have as an ongoing effort to increase our efforts toward reconciliation initiatives. Jessica and I will be volunteering our time to be out and about in the community more often, including going to walk with Mama Bear Clan to foster a relationship and hear first hand from our relatives in the community.

Strategic Plan Consultant Meeting – July 30, 2021

- I have met with our strategic plan working group, which is made up of: Stuart Murray, Mary Lavigne, Kristi Kenyon and Tricia Chestnut. We have begun creating the job description to hire a facilitator who will develop a 3-5-year strategic plan for the Human Rights Committee of Council.
- This will provide the committee with some solid goals, objectives and deliverables that we will aim to meet.
- The goal within the strategic plan is to facilitate a meeting that will include all members of the HRCC to see what their personal passions and objectives with this Committee include to ensure that these items will be included in the plan.

Idris and I met in September to discuss Muslims in Winnipeg, which was followed up with a meeting on September 7th with Markus Chambers, Deputy Mayor

- Committee member Idris and I met with Deputy Mayor Markus Chambers to discuss the state of Muslim safety, education and resources here in Winnipeg. We provided Councillor Chambers with the notes prior to the meeting and discussed action items that the City of Winnipeg could take as proactive measure. These action items included looking at developing a relationship with the WPS and their Board, discussing the mental health resources that are available to University students, particularly international students of Muslim faith, as well as education and how we can do our best to ensure that our curriculums are the most inclusive.

Stuart Murray meeting recorded a podcast Humans on Rights – September 2, 2021