



## **Meeting Notes**

**April 26, 2021, 5 - 6:30pm on MS Teams**

**Meeting Chair: Mayor Helps**

1. Welcome and Land Acknowledgement provided by Mayor Helps
2. Assessing Victoria against the Welcoming Standards – Part 3
  - a. Activity – Task Force members were assigned to small work groups (based on Welcoming Standard categories) and given a worksheet with results from their assessment of Victoria against the Welcoming Standard. In their groups TF members prioritized potential solutions (gathered from the assessments they did), and discussed: How might we...achieve a solution by identifying strengths, barriers and how to best implelemt it? Discussion was recorded on the worksheets which will be returned to the consultants.
3. Next steps
  - a. Consultants will email Task Force members asking to confirm community contact list and confirm which workshops they will attend.
  - b. Focused workshops tentative dates May 10-21. Once dates have been set, Task Force members will get an email with an invitation (to attend) and to forward on to their network. Members will choose which one(s) they want to participate in.
  - c. May 10 Task Force meeting has been canceled so everyone can concentrate their time on the workshops.
4. Reflection question – How would you explain the Welcoming Standard to a friend?
5. Closing comments provided by Mayor Helps and Councillor Dubow.

## Attendance

<b>Members</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>April 26</b>
Agnes Myhre	Bayanihan Community Centre	✓
Annie Djiotso	Société Francophone	✓
Chief Del Manak	VicPD	✓
Daniela dos Santos Pinto	Member at Large	✓
David Lau	Victoria Immigrant & Refugee Centre Society	
Florentien Verhage	Intercultural Association	✓
Garry Sam	Songhees Nation	✓
Jefus Godwin-Enwere	International student	✓
Jerome Thomas	Esquimalt Nation	
Jibril Mohamed	Member at Large	regrets
Kareece Whittle-Brown	Here in Canada magazine	✓
Maureen Sawa	Greater Victoria Public Library	✓
Nora Butz	Chinese Community Services Society	✓
Sandra Hough	George Jay School PAC	regrets
Silvia Mangue Alene	Member at Large	✓
Tracy Ryan	Victoria Silver Threads	✓

City staff, Councillors and guests present at the meeting:

1. Councillor Sharmarke Dubow
2. Kimberley Stratford, City staff
3. Gala Milne, City staff
4. Mandi Sandhu, City staff
5. Neuquinn Consulting (Patricia Quinn and Rachael Seupersad)