



**MINUTES – INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR PEOPLE OF AFRICAN DESCENT  
COMMITTEE**

**Esquimalt Nation Room, City Hall, 1 Centennial Square and via Teams**

**October 4, 2022, 5:00 P.M.**

**The City of Victoria is located on the homelands of the Songhees and Esquimalt People**

**PRESENT:** Dominique Makay in the Chair, Hissein Idriss, Natalie Justin,  
William Goldiet

**ABSENT:** Barbara Hudlin, Dr. Christian O. Kumi, Kenny Panza

**STAFF PRESENT:** A. Galiev – Equity Diversity & Inclusion Lead, S. Mangué – Equity,  
Diversity & Inclusion Coordinator, S. Stoltz – Committee Secretary

**1. Welcoming**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m. He acknowledged that the City of Victoria is located on the homelands of the Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations communities.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

**Moved by** Dominique Makay  
**Seconded by** William Goldiet

That the minutes from the meeting held September 26, 2022 be approved.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. Discussion**

*The Committee discussed the following:*

- *The grant applications in detail and the scoring of each application*
- *Additional context regarding the criteria and the scoring of applications*
- *Workplan schedules of the applicants and their proposed events/activities*
- *Concern regarding the fact that some of the groups applying for grants may not be used to writing grant applications, and the desire to avoid applying a colonial lens to the review process*
- *The timeline for rating applications*
- *Potential to contact applicants in order to further clarify questions regarding their applications; concerns regarding equity factors and the timeline if this is done*

- *Support for applications that would support a wide demographic of youth within the Black community*
- *The details and scope of certain applications and events that applicants are hoping to undertake*
- *Questions and concerns regarding informal organizations*
- *The potential merit and impact of certain events/organizations*
- *The fact that increased funding for fewer applications would likely give them a better chance at being successful*

4. **Adjournment**

The International Decade for People of African Descent Committee Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.