Outreach Committee Meeting Final Minutes

Date: 3/13/2021

Carolyn, Caleb, Joseph, Angelica present

Meeting called to order at 1:07

Group unanimously approves February 2021 meeting minutes.

Joseph presents the work that he has been doing with Alternier to map out LAC relationships.

He suggests all LAC members email him if there are any relationships they have that are not present so that we can create the most complete list.

He suggests using this document to determine which groups we have speak to us at broader LAC meetings. (Example: spread the Friends groups over the course of the year to hear from them all.)

Goal of document is to have a repository of groups and contacts that are important to LAC.

Carolyn suggests widening the scope so that we include state wide library groups and electeds like Barbara Lee.

Member of the public, Alvirdia Owens, joined the meeting around 1:20 pm.

Caleb suggests we may want to add ethnic chambers of commerce and the staffer for elected officials that is the best contact. He also suggests new Commissioner Roy might be able to be the third member of this working group.

Carolyn suggests the Oakland League of Women Voters.

Group offers comments on the audit and how recent stimulus will help OPL and the city budget. Questions centered around:

- How can LAC have more impact based on the outcome of the audit?
- How can we better use our funds to make sure that maintenance requests are fulfilled?
- How can we better improve transparency in the city of Oakland?

Carolyn asks: With Measure Q coming up, can we reduce the amount of indirects?

Caleb asks is this a city problem, in which maintenance requests go unfulfilled for many groups, or is this an OPL issue? Can we talk to Budget Advisory commission to get clarity?

Angelica will bring up Internal service funds in LAC meeting to understand how they are being approached.

Caleb gives update on Senate Bill 227 – will bring resolution for LAC, City Council, local representative to support.

Carolyn offers that there is a House bill in addition to Senate bill.

Joseph suggests we have a public health official address the larger LAC to talk about precautions and process for reopening. What role with vaccinations play?

Carolyn suggests Dr. Moss might be a good speaker.

Caleb suggests we ask Jamie whether reopening plans will be part of her Library Director report. Angelica will ask Jamie if there is any update on how LAC can meet.
Caleb thinks that City Clerk may be able to offer guidance on how LAC can meet post-COVID.

Meeting is adjourned at 1:50pm.

Agenda Building:
1. Approval of Draft Minutes from March
2. Welcome New Member Commissioner Roy to Outreach
3. Updates on Relationship Mapping (this will be a standing agenda item for the next few months)
4. Potential Role of Outreach Committee to Get the Word out about Library Reopening
5. General Business
6. Open Forum/Public Comment (two-minute time limit)
7. Agenda Building
8. Adjournment