

Peace and Justice
Commission

**Peace and Justice Commission Meeting
December 13, 2021**

Pursuant to March 17, 2020 Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, this meeting was held electronically.

APPROVED MINUTES

The meeting convened at 7:12 pm with George Lippman (Chair) presiding. Okeya Vance-Dozier, Community Service Specialist, Secretary.

SECTION A. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Roll Call

Present: Morizawa, Rodriguez, Jacquelin, Gussmann, Lippman, Maran, Bohn

Absent: Leon-Maldonado, Lee

Excused: None

Leave of Absence: None

2. Announcements

3. Comments from the Public

Public Attendance: 2

Public Comments: 2

4. Review and approval of meeting minutes

Peace and Justice Commission approved minutes from 11/1/21.

M/S/C: Morizawa, Rodriguez

Ayes: Morizawa, Rodriguez, Jacquelin, Gussmann, Lippman, Maran, Bohn

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Leon-Maldonado, Lee

Excused: None

5. Commission Updates & Chairperson's Report (No Action Taken):

Updated the commission on the passing of our beloved Commissioner Bob Meola. The letter which was to be sent to BUSD as an action needs to be approved by council. Commission decided the best course of action was to send the letter to BUSD as community members.

6. Secretary's Report (No Action Taken)

Discussion on how to properly submitted agenda items and supporting documents. Provide the time frame in which documents must be sent to secretary in order to comply with the posting requirements.

SECTION B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

7. Meeting Calendar for 2022

Calendar dates approved for 2022

M/S/C: Morizawa, Rodriguez

Ayes: Morizawa, Rodriguez, Jacquelin, Gussmann, Lippman, Maran, Bohn

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Leon-Maldonado, Lee

Excused: None

8. Normalize Relations with Cuba

Commission is requesting that resolution be sent to President Biden, to immediately reverse all sanctions against Cuba by the United States and end all aspects of the United States embargo against Cuba, including restrictions on travel. Restore the diplomatic relations with Cuba. As well as remove Cuba from the United States list of state sponsors of terrorism; and to immediately close the United States military base at Guantanamo Bay and return the occupied territory in Guantanamo Bay to Cuba.

M/S/C: Bohn, Morizawa

Ayes: Morizawa, Rodriguez, Jacquelin, Gussmann, Lippman, Maran, Bohn

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Leon-Maldonado, Lee

Excused: None

9. Recognize the Japanese American Day of Remembrance

Call on the City of Berkeley to denounce racial discrimination by collaborating with immigrants to create community programs and advocate for policy and legislation that will support community building. Address systematic barriers for reporting Anti-Asian hate crimes. Adopt February 19th as the Japanese American Day of Remembrance in recognition for Japanese Americans who were victims of mass incarceration.

M/S/C: Morizawa, Rodriguez

Ayes: Morizawa, Rodriguez, Jacquelin, Gussmann, Lippman, Maran, Bohn

Abstain: None

Absent: Leon-Maldonado, Lee

Excused: None

SECTION C. COMMUNICATIONS

10. No communications received prior to meeting.

SECTION D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

M/S/C: Lippman

Ayes: Morizawa, Rodriguez, Jacquelin, Gussmann, Lippman, Maran, Bohn

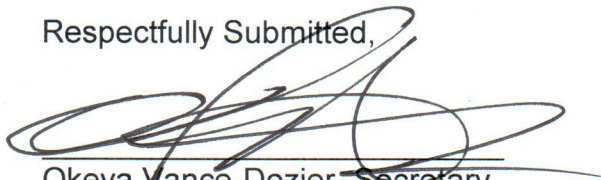
Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Leon-Maldonado, Lee

Excused: None

Respectfully Submitted,



Okeya Vance-Dozier, Secretary
Peace and Justice Commission