

## Citizens' Unity Commission HDC Joint Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 10, 2019 ~ 5:30 pm-7:30pm  
Community Development Conference Room, 22 Lincoln St. 5<sup>th</sup> Flr, Hampton, VA.

**Attendance:** Alice Capehart, Milton McDonald, Joiecel Riviera, Mei Stukes, Mary Wallace, Jennifer Evans, Darius Swift, Willie C. Anderson, Michael Harper, Katrina Bailey, Burley Gardner (Community Liaison), (11)

**HDC Attendance:** 7 Panelist, 7 participants and four guests (18)

**Absent:** Loretta Ray, Chris Grady, Justin Carolina, Kristi Jackson, Trevor Hutson, Tamika Lett, Devinn Smart, Deena Franklin (Community Liaison), Ellen Shackelford (Community Liaison), Steven D. Bond (Assistant City Manager) (10)

**Staff:** Latiesha Handie (Executive Director), Imara Gabe Diaz (Program Coordinator)

**Call to Order** – Latiesha Handie, Executive Director, 5:30 pm

### **Action Items**

#### *Item 1: Welcome and Agenda Review*

- Latiesha Handie, Executive Director, welcomed commissioners and guests to the last session of Hampton Diversity College, where participants had the opportunity to learn about the personal experiences of the panelist who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender in their local community and broader society.
- Participants were asked to introduce themselves before beginning the facilitated discussion, narrated by Past President, Fawn Faulks of Hampton Roads Pride.

### **New Business**

#### *Item 1: Purpose of Participation*

- Commissioners were asked to participate in the HDC LGBTQ Awareness session in conjunction with their monthly meetings to increase knowledge and understanding of specific diverse topics.
- Joint discussion opportunities will be an ongoing initiative to help inform and educate commissioners about the range of events and programs hosted by CUC.

## ***Announcements***

- **Next Meeting Date:** Commissioners received notification that the next meeting will be hosted on November 14, 2019, at Northampton Community Center, [1435-A Todds Lane, Hampton VA 23666](#).
- Latiesha Handie shared that CUC is hosting a World Religion conversation in partnership with the Baha'is of the Virginia Peninsula on October 21, 2019, at Northampton Community Center from 6 pm – 8 pm. She encouraged all commissioners to be a part of the conversation and to share the opportunity with others.

**Adjourned 7:35 pm**

**Next Meeting Date and Time:** [November 14, 2019, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm](#) at Northampton Community Center, [1435-A Todds Lane, Hampton VA 23666](#).