



## WAVE Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 21, 2021

5:30pm - 7:30pm

Meeting Link: [meet.google.com/kne-ayzv-ghh](https://meet.google.com/kne-ayzv-ghh)

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Attendance: Funmi, Julianne, Charlotte, Muno, Abby, Joan, Michele, Amy, Elyssa, Kristina, Dawn

COE Administration: Christine

Regrets: Sevan, Kourtney, Angelika

Guests: SkirtsAFire

### ❖ Welcome

#### ➤ Land Acknowledgement

Julianne

- [Please add your name to do the acknowledgement](#)

#### ➤ Check-in/icebreaker

Funmi

- Share what your favourite holiday is and why

### ❖ Approve [October Minutes](#) and Agenda Review

#### ➤ Approve Minutes

#### ➤ Approve Agenda

### ❖ [SkirtAFire Festival](#)

Brianne/Annette

Brianne - Managing Director

Annette - Artistic Director

- WAVE will sponsor the music portion of the Festival at the Army & Navy
- Annette provided an update on the festival which is celebrating its 10th year
- Theatre, multidisciplinary events, theme is connected to the main stage play - Ayita
- Teneil Whiskyjack will be performing in the main stage play that is a powerful indigenous women's story, a cast of 3 women
- The play will be in the Westbury Theatre
- Partnered with 22 indigenous youth who are working on reconciliation, creating a multimedia video project and art installation for the festival
- Army and Navy music, partnering with Vignettes and creating installations as well for the cabaret
- Holy Trinity Church is another venue being used for choir performances
- Skirts competition, partnering with storefronts to showcase design



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- How can WAVE further be involved?
- Brianne recommended getting the word out with your circles and encouraging others to attend SkirtsAFire
- Brianne can send Christine volunteer opportunities to share to WAVE
- 15 comps to WAVE to use at any performance of Ayita, as well as 15 comps to use over the 2 music shows of the festival
- Brianne can send over social media posts to share on WAVE's social media

### ❖ Discussion on an intersectional analysis of living in a winter city

Funmi

How do you feel about living in a winter city?

- It's dark earlier during winter, women don't feel safe in the dark
- Other cities have more shared public spaces, if your home is not a safe space or you can't accommodate everyone, challenges to go somewhere
- Poverty, families not able to afford good winter clothing, seniors not being able to afford winter clothing
- Clearing streets for pedestrians, Joan recommended reading this article <https://usa.streetsblog.org/2018/01/24/why-sweden-clears-walkways-before-roads/>
- Climate change challenges, temperatures and weather have been constantly changing, how are we addressing climate change in Edmonton?
- Cobblestone sidewalks are a challenge for those who are in wheelchairs or have accessibility issues
- Feb meeting, the snow and ice service project will be presenting to WAVE and gather feedback



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### ❖ Business/Discussion Items

- WAVE Chair update Funmi
- Strategic Plan update Christine
  - January meeting will devote part of the meeting to have a discussion on the strategic plan and next steps to discuss at the working groups
  - January/February working groups can have a discussion on what projects, initiatives or things they want to work on for 2022
  - Sevan will share the strategic planning document soon to help inform our discussions for the January meeting
  - Christine will share the recruitment posting again and include pictures with the posting so everyone can share with their contacts
- [WAVE Recruitment for 7 new members](#) Funmi

January 16, 2022 - Posting closes, March 2022 - Applicant Shortlisting (TBD), April 2022 - Applicant Interviews (TBD), April 2022 - Appointments made by City Council (TBD)
- Reconciliation and Allyship Standing Item on Agenda Kristina
  - The working group is requesting time on every agenda to have a substantial conversation on truth and reconciliation and issues facing indigenous women and girls
  - Book club: Request that everyone to read the *Inconvenient Indian* by late Feb and will send a doodle poll to come together to talk about the book
  - The Reconciliation working group will identify people to invite to speak to WAVE meetings
  - Christine can invite everyone to Slack to communicate outside of email if they wish



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### ❖ Working Group Updates

#### ➤ Policy - [VHF letter to City Council](#)

Muno

- November the letter was drafted, thank you to everyone who helped write the letter
- Thanks Christine for sending the letter out to other committees, AAC, EYC, ARAC
- AAC will be attending the policy working group meeting on Jan 6
- EYC had some questions and will be discussing to support the letter
- ARAC will hopefully respond soon and support the letter
- Reviewed MMIW report and asked for IRO to attend the Jan meeting to present at the WAVE meeting
- Muno created a document to compile questions for the IRO
- Affordable housing and project manager will hopefully attend the March or April policy meeting

#### ➤ Engagement and Leadership

Charlotte

- Rajah Maggay came to speak at the last meeting. Rajah is on ParityYEG board and also works in Councillor Knack's office
- competition
- ParityYEG wants to continue supporting women to run in politics and a couple of projects they want to do include:
  - A mentorship program, pairing women with a City Councillor
  - Policy competition
- We can reach out to Rajah once they have their new board established
- YWCA has a new space which provides meeting space for community groups
- Social media for WAVE discussion on whether to hire a, social media manager



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- Charlotte will create a survey about WAVE's communications and what everyone would like to see
- ❖ Upcoming Dates and Events
  - [Add events to the WAVE Calendar](#) - Should we continue to have this calendar?
    - Website with calendar of events might be better
    - Google calendar was meant to gather events and ask people to add events in there to help leadership and engagement post events on WAVE's instagram
    - We need to find a place to track events, what else can we use? Please share if you have any recommendations
  - [Please indicate here](#) if you attended the Office of the City Clerk Code of Conduct training
    - Christine will resend the code of conduct info
    - WAVE will create its own code of conduct and include an attendance policy as well

### Information/Resources:

- [WAVE Folder](#) to view Committee Agendas, Meeting Minutes
- WAVE's Social Media Channels: [Instagram](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#)
- [WAVE's Contact List](#)
- [WAVE Working Group Folders](#)

### Meetings for 2022:

- January 18 (Indigenous Relations Office to present on the City of Edmonton MMIW Report)
- February 15 (Snow and Ice Service Project presentation and feedback)



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- March 15
- April 19 (new members appointed, goodbye to members leaving)
- May 17 (new members join)
- June 21