

PLANO MULTICULTURAL OUTREACH ROUNDTABLE (MCOR)
May 14, 2019

MCOR Co-Chairs Present:

Mary Alice Garza

Co-chair Garza convened the meeting to order at 7 pm, Tuesday, May 14, 2019 in Training Room A at Municipal Center, 1520 K Avenue. A quorum was present.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Co-chair Garza reminded everyone that there is a runoff election on June 8, 2019 for two City Council seats and urged everyone who is qualified to vote to do so.

READING, AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the April 9, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Mona Joseph moved that the minutes be approved and Indu Virmani seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by all present.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Discuss of Business Leadership Reception

Co-chair Garza reported that the reception will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at the Center for American and International Law at 5201 Democracy Drive in Plano. The focus of the panel at the event is women in business and the committee is working to confirm speakers. City of Plano Public Library staff member Kristin Linscott is assisting with finding possible panel members. The committee has created a list of questions to consider as they look for panel members and will email that out to those in MCOR who may be able to assist.

Discussion of MCOR Speakers

Co-chair Garza said that Lekan Ogunoyinbo is scheduled to speak. He is the author of *"I, Too, Am America: Stories of 50 Amazing American Muslims"* and has agreed to share his story with the MCOR group.

Chris Parr suggested that MCOR invite the Toyota Diversity Officer to speak at a future meeting.

Co-chair Garza suggested that a representative from the Salvation Army could speak about the warming stations provided in cold weather.

GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION COMMITTEE

2019 National Day of Prayer

Co-Chair Garza reported that the event was very nice this year. This year she said they put an insert in the program with the information for all of the participating churches. They will also put the information on the MCOR website. Despite having the musicians cancel at the last minute the program went on. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Angela Miner presented the proclamation and everyone enjoyed the reception that followed.

Youth Committee report

No report at this time.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**Friendship Circles**

Co-chair Garza reported that the Saturday, May 18 Friendship Circles event has been canceled. They are looking to possibly reschedule it in July.

RECREATION COMMITTEE**Discussion/Report on Table Tennis Tournaments**

Jon Liu reported that the most recent Spring World Peace Table Tennis Tournament on Saturday, April 27, 2019. It was at the Tom Muehlenbeck Center and as usual there were many families there to watch relatives play. Everything went well but he has noticed that registration is decreasing. It's following the national trend but he does not know why this is and hopes that it reverses.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Discuss future speakers for upcoming MCOR meetings:

- Toyota Diversity Officer
- Salvation Army representative to speak about warming stations

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:25 pm.

MCOR Co-Chair