

Immigrant Advisory Table Meeting Minutes

Meeting called by: Athanas Njeru
Attendees: Immigrant Advisory Table:

Date: Monday, Sept 10, 2018 (6pm - 8pm)
Location: Frances Morrison Library, 311 23 St E, Saskatoon, SK

1. Welcome from Athanas Njeru
2. Diversity Ice Breaker Video was played. Followed by round table introductions of the IAT attendees
3. Athanas presented and reviewed the PowerPoint presentation explaining what the Local Immigration Partnership is and the governance structure. He mentioned that IAT members will be required to choose two co-chairs from the Immigrant Advisory Table to lead future meetings and also to sit at the table at the partnership council meetings to speak on behalf of the IAT (Immigrant Advisory Table). The first Partnership Council meeting will be held on September 26th. The Local Immigration Partnership is currently in the Capacity Building Stage (Key Expected Results of the LIPS slide from the PowerPoint).
4. Athanas discussed the Terms of reference and consulted the IAT of their thoughts about the document. There was question about the page 6 footnote, and missing three consecutive meetings, this was a typing error it should be two. The Immigrant Advisory table minimum requirement to meet is four times a year however, this can be increased if needed. There was a question about the working groups...
5. Further discussion on what the co-chair responsibilities were. It was noted that one co-chair needs to be present for all IAT meetings. The secretariat will be taking notes for meetings (IAT and Partnership Council) and these notes will be public for the community. Ideally co-chairs should be a male and a female chosen for IAT representation at the Partnership Council. The commitment for the co-chairs is a one year term. The decision was made that the members will review their schedules and send Athanas an e-mail if they are interested in volunteering for the co-chair position. From these names a vote will be made at the next meeting of who will be selected for co-chairs.
6. Future meeting dates will also be assigned for the year on September 19, 2018. This way the partnership council will be aware of when the IAT meets. The group talked about the possibility of meeting every two months (6x/year) to further build relationships with one another.
7. The meeting closed with a round table personal experience sharing session to get to know one another better.

Next Meeting Date: September 19, 2019: 6:00PM – 8:00PM	Location: Meeting Room B. Cosmo Civic Centre. 3130 Laurier Dr. Saskatoon
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