



LAWRENCEVILLE

GEORGIA

RECAST ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Wednesday, October 26, 2022
6:00 PM

Third Floor GwMA Conference Room
70 S. Clayton St, GA 30046

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM, and a quorum was not recognized.

Approval of Agenda

There was not a quorum, so no vote was taken to approve the agenda.

Citizen Comments

To participate in the Public Comment part of this agenda, you must register with the Advisory Board Secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting. Presentations will be limited to two (2) minutes per person. The Board members will not respond to comments.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Approve Prior Meeting Minutes

There was not a quorum, so no vote was taken.

General Discussion

Board Member Check-In

There was a brief board member check-in, sharing personal updates. The Hooper-Renwick Themed Library groundbreaking ceremony was a prominent part of this check-in. Hooper-Renwick was the only school in Gwinnett County for African-American children. Tiffany Washington, on behalf of the advisory board, gave special recognition to Coni Brown. Ms. Coni, along with her sisters, was educated at Hooper-Renwick and had the privilege of attending a groundbreaking ceremony earlier in the day. The groundbreaking celebrated the partnership between City and County, between local

civic leaders, and the Hooper-Renwick Legacy Preservation Committee; this partnership is creating a new library (in the former school building) for downtown Lawrenceville which will simultaneously honor the legacy of Black education in Gwinnett County. The board was excited about the significance of the groundbreaking for our County, our City, and especially for Ms. Coni.

ReCAST Year 1 Recap Video

The board watched a “year-in-review” style mini-documentary that shared the story of ReCAST thus far.

Program Manager Update

Program Manager, Marcus Thorne, shared about four prominent updates from the ReCAST Monthly Milestones Report: 1) the training of City staff in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is 98% complete with a plan in place to train the remaining 2%; 2) The City of Lawrenceville’s yet-to-be-named diversity, equity, and inclusion staff council has been formed; 3) A new location for ReCAST collaborative services has been approved by Council and the ReCAST team has begun relocating the new facility; 4) The memorandum of understanding between Gwinnett County Public Schools and the City of Lawrenceville has been executed and is fully in place. Special thanks were offered to those who worked behind the scenes providing guidance and support – in particular to Nancy Martin.

Additionally, board members asked questions and received updates regarding outreach, youth engagement, and the ReCAST referral process. Marcus Thorne shared new ReCAST materials, translated into Spanish. Jen Young (Executive Director of Impact46, a sub-recipient partner of ReCAST) was present and provided helpful updates alongside the program manager.

Advisory Board Schedule Discussion

The program manager reviewed the draft version of next year’s advisory board meeting schedule. No objections were raised to the schedule.

Other Business

Coni Brown invited members to join her at The Inaugural Hooper Renwick Building Bridges Speaker Series on Thursday, November 10 @ 6 pm; hosted at the Lawrenceville Arts Center (125 N Clayton St, Lawrenceville, GA 30046).

Hector Sanchez encouraged our board to consider getting together for a time of celebration, connection, and reflection over a meal during the month of December.

Final Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Minutes Signature

Chanda Floyd-Bryant

Marcus Thorne, Secretary