

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Minneapolis Transgender Equity Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**August 24, 2017**

Present: Nova Bradford, EJ Dean, Milin Dutta, Jared Erdmann, Kristin Johnson, Z Makila, Nic Puechner, Freya Richman, Michael Rossman, Destiny Xiong  
Arrived late/left early: Zeam Porter  
Absent: Nathalie Crowley, Kate Nelson, Elise Niedermeier, Taylor Rose Payer

**Welcome**

Freya Richman called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Note: Instead of co-chairs Nova, Freya, and Z would prefer to be referred to us a coordination committee/facilitation committee.

**Adopt Agenda**

Kristin Johnson moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by Nic Puechner. Adopted.

**Approve minutes of regular meeting of July 26, 2017**

Note: For future meetings, include a roster at the top and a record of if people leave early; if not present for votes.

All were in favor of approving minutes.

**Announcements**

No announcements

**Discussion**

**By-Laws Mock-Up**

Handout: Transgender Equity Council Mock-Up of By-Laws  
[6:47 p.m. – Zeam Porter arrived.]

Recommendation: List purpose/history above the definitions

Request to Nic Puechner to make some recommendations to the group regarding by-laws

Discussion of definitions

*Discussion recorded on flipchart. Typed copy of flipchart notes attached.*

Decision: Have an appendix

In addition to the current list of definitions add sex, gender identity, gender expression.

**Mission and Values**

Handout: Vision & Values

Handout: Vision vs. Mission

*Discussion recorded on same flipchart. Typed copy of flipchart notes attached.*

Decision: Utilize a facilitator to get started on the framework. First, look for facilitation from the transgender/gender-nonconforming/non-binary community. If no one is available, the City and County may have suggestions.

Task: Send up to two (2) names and contact information for facilitators to facilitation committee by September 1. First contact people to see if they are interested, then provide the names to the facilitation committee. A decision will be made by September 8. The facilitation committee will report to the whole group by email. The facilitation committee has authority to make the decision; don't need consensus if the name is recommended by a TEC member.

Note: The person will be paid.

Task: Jenny Chayabutr to share the TEC contact list with the minutes.

### **September 28 meeting (same day at the Trans\* Equity Summit)**

No meeting on Sept. 28

### **Participation in the Trans\* Equity Summit, including discussion of the “\*”**

Task: Jenny will circulate tentative draft agenda.

Decision: TEC will facilitate a session.

Zeam Porter will be at the next Summit meeting and report back to EJ Dean. Then EJ and Zeam can brainstorm proposals.

### **Unfinished business (agenda items not discussed)**

Discussion of the “\*”

**Adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m.**

**Next meeting: October 26**

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