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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at 4:30pm

JFK, 15 New Sudbury Street, Room 475

Absent Commissioners are highlighted on left.

Remote Participants are indicated by an asterisk*.

Quorum was reached by attendance.

1. Accept 2/25/2015 meeting minutes
 - Corrections are to be made. Kay motioned to accept minutes, seconded by Nick. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.
2. We've opened the application process for new Commissioners.
 - The goal is to expand on our already diverse group
 - Reach out to our networks/connections for candidates from the AAPI communities, particularly those from ethnicities not currently represented on the Commission.
3. Discussion of the By-Laws and Statute
 - Current by-laws reflect a staggered system to ensure a constant stream of new commissioners
 - Agreed to put on the agenda to amend the by-laws and add clear concise language (Kajal will work on the language)
4. Unity Dinner Discussion
 - Discussion of venue, cost analysis of the budget
 - Members discussed the "pros" and "cons" of both UMass Boston and BU
 - Discussion also included continuity of venue, event location accessibility, and transportation and parking availability.
 - Final vote 7 to 4 in favor of UMass Boston
5. Moved to cover other agenda items at next Commission meeting: Wednesday, April 8, 2015
6. Meeting adjourned