

Attendees: Zahra  
Sally Johnston  
Evelyn Smith  
Namita Singh  
Shashi Bhatia  
Acklema Gocool  
Dave Parsan  
Usha Chahar  
Farah Eshrahi  
Ayesha Sardak  
Souianya  
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Cris Farrell, City of Pickering  
Krystal Roberts, City of Pickering  
Stephanie England, City of Pickering

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<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome</b>	
	<p>Krystal Roberts, Coordinator, Community Partnerships welcomes everyone to the meeting, 7:00 pm.</p> <p>Budget:</p> <p>Krystal opened up the agenda noting of the recent meeting with Rotary, discussed no grant at this point.</p> <p>The budget was discussed, being \$18,000.00 of which the following needs to allocated first</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- \$7,000 for security fencing,</li> <li>- \$3,000 for security,</li> <li>- \$2,000 for toilets,</li> <li>- \$4,000 for entertainment</li> <li>- Remaining to be saved for a contingency</li> </ul> <p>Rotary will cover the costs of Paid Duty officer, the Carnival, and Beer Tent.</p>	

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	<p>Date change discussed.</p> <p>Cultural Fusion Festival will take place in Esplanade Park on;  Saturday, August 20 from 11:00 am – 7:00 pm  Sunday, August 21 from 11:00 am – 7:00 pm</p> <p>Set up will take place for full day on Friday August 19, 2022 – with Volunteers and City Staff.</p>	
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>Full planning will commence, following Canada Day.</p> <p>It is important to keep within the theme of the event and the schedule will be discussed as full event planning commences.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Vendor cost suggestions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$35.00 + hst for space</li> <li>• \$120.00 + hst for tent, table, and chair</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Food Vendors will have to complete fire inspection, and have Durham Health Vendor Permit. This is a must.- Krystal</li> <li>3. Volunteer schedule coming from the City of Pickering, mandate for Volunteers discussed inclusive of Police reference and screening. The meeting members all agreed the importance of encouraging youth to participate. They will wear city vests so they are easily identifiable.</li> </ol>	Quote Forms available to be submitted.
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Entertainment</b></p> <p>The Group discussed openly about entertainment suggestions.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sport Demonstration: Italian Bocce Ball</li> <li>2. Stage entertainment inclusive of food demonstration.</li> <li>3. There is still interest in a fashion show</li> <li>4. Parade of Flags to be included in the Festival of India – Punjabi Drummer</li> <li>5. Dance Fusion and Yoga from Durham Tamil Association, food display – Norin Francis</li> </ol>	

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	<p>6. The African Drummer from Ajax Mayor' Gala - Krystal</p> <p>7. Baba Williams – drummer, performed at Ajax Home Week</p> <p>8. West Indian Drummers.</p> <p>9. Invitation to Indigenous Groups – smudge? Inquire with Jaclyn</p> <p>10. Creation of Community Art Piece</p> <p>11. Extend offer of an opportunity to showcase Indigenous Art</p> <p>12. Chinese Dragons Dancers start of Sunday.</p> <p>13. MC to do some filler on the stage - Shashi</p> <p>14. Canadian and Durham Based Artists</p> <p>15. Indigenous Artist Singers</p> <p>16. Passports to Include something similar to Carisauga, different Countries to get everyone to stamp</p> <p>South Asian Groups want to come to event – Isha</p>	<p><b>Brochure to be created to highlight day 1 and day 2.</b></p>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Next Steps and Closing Comments</b>	
	<p>Next group meeting will be on <b>Tuesday, June 14 at 7:00 pm in-person.</b> Meeting details will be sent.</p> <p>All completed quote forms from group members can be sent to Shashi Bhatia at <a href="mailto:shashibhatia@rogers.com">shashibhatia@rogers.com</a> or to Krystal Roberts <a href="mailto:kr Roberts@pickering.ca">kr Roberts@pickering.ca</a> for creating a master list.</p> <p>A full promotional role out will begin after Canada Day. Social / online promotions will be sent to partners to share.</p>	<p><b>All to action.</b></p> <p><b>Krystal to forward – All to share.</b></p>

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 pm

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