

Financial Advisory Committee Meeting
4 August 2021

- Establish quorum (7:02pm)
- Voting for FAC officers. Positions for the next two year:
 - Committee Chair: Rodney Yancey
 - Vice Chair: No vote
 - Secretary: No volunteers. Carl Robinson will continue to serve. We will look for another member to volunteer for the position.
- Review/approve minutes from June 2021
- No meeting held in July due to failure to achieve a quorum. No meeting minutes.
- Benchmarking status (William Olukoya)
 - Draft begun with the preface and premise of the document
 - Table of contents
 - foreword
- Status of additional alternates' request to City Manager's Office
 - City clerk said we had to vote on it and make it part of the minutes
 - Need a motion to have alternates
 - William Olukoya brought up having a requirement for the qualifications and the number of alternates
 - Muzar Jah recommended trying to fill the vacancies that we currently have. That's our immediate need.
 - Fill the vacancies
 - How to address the failing attendance (Choices: alternates, expansion of number of members on the committee, etc.)
 - Rather than decide on alternates, we will start working to fill the vacancy we currently have.
 - **Action Item:** - Rodney will come up with an outline on what the roles/responsibilities of alternates will be. This will be presented in the next meeting in
- Status of request to advertise for membership and other idea such as:
- BCMC TV (Byron will look into it and see what the proper chain is to get permission for advertising vacancies on the FAC would be.)
 - Bowie Blade – **No longer in hardcopy print**
 - Phone App
 - Other avenues:
 - Local University(s)
 - Bowie Festival or International Festival
- Re-establish new brief-out subjects for members and schedule (Tabled until September)
- Open forum/New business
 - Participation in the Bowie International Festival – asked the committee whether they wanted to participate this year.
 - There is still concern regarding COVID from the members
 - Is there a ROI?
 - **Decision:** Not to participate in this year's festival
 - Develop a template for the report to city council
 - **Action Item:** Carl Robinson will develop a draft format and present at the September meeting.
- Meeting end 8:15pm

- Next Meeting: The next Committee meeting is planned for September 1, 2021 at 7pm

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Financial Advisory Committee, City of Bowie, Maryland, on 5 January 2022.

Carl Robinson

Carl Robinson, Secretary