MINUTES

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1. CALL TO ORDER
   Ms. Fried called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

2. ROLL CALL
   Present: Fried, Nocton, Vaughan
   Excused: Allopena, Farrow, Lornez
   Guests: Peter Dart (Superintendent of Mansfield Public Schools), Jeannine Kanadia, Sharon Courmoyer (Superintendent of E.O. Smith High School), Velda Alfred-Abney, Sabrina Hosmer
   Student Volunteers: Felicia Famularo
   Staff: Monica Ferrara, Katherine Bell

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   June 15, 2022
   Minutes were unable to be voted on, as there was a lack of quorum.

4. MEMBER REPORTS
   Ms. Fried reported that she is acting Chair, as Mr. Mitoma resigned. There will be elections for Chair and Vice Chair when there is a quorum. She also heard from the NAACP who are going to have a table next to ours for the Celebrate Mansfield Festival. Ms. Fried also reported that the HRC has a budget and that
she is hoping to spend the money on a book group for a talk on “Waking up White”.

Ms. Nocton reported that UCONN sent out a calendar with a couple dates that we should be aware about for scheduling of meetings.

5. **OLD BUSINESS**  
   A. **Charge Changes**  
      Tabled until next meeting due to lack of quorum.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**  
   A. **Presentation by Superintendent of Mansfield Public Schools – Peter Dart**  
      Peter Dart, Superintendent of Mansfield Public Schools, gave a presentation to Commission Members on the District Development Plan for Mansfield Public Schools. He stated that they created a District Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Team and would like the support of the HRC by asking about the team and helping us monitor what the schools are doing to lead with equity, looking at the progress made, promote the work, and help them think about new professional learning opportunities. He would like to have a more inclusive holiday calendar for the school district and would like the HRC to help in that matter.

   B. **Elections of Chair and Vice Chair**  
      Tabled until the next meeting due to lack of quorum.

   C. **Organizational Mission**  
      Tabled until the next meeting due to lack of quorum.

   D. **Budget Discussion**  
      Budget will be discussed further at the next meeting. Ms. Fried provided an update on the budget as noted above.

7. **COMMUNICATIONS**  
   None.

8. **REPORTS OF SUBCOMMITTEES**  
   A. **Town Charge**  
      No reports. Ms. Ferrara, staff, stated that there was a lack of membership on the Town Charge Subcommittee.

   B. **Communications and Outreach**  
      There was a brief discussion regarding the Celebrate Mansfield Festival. There is a meeting of the Communications and Outreach Subcommittee next week on August 17, 2022 where matters will be further discussed.

9. **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**
None.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.