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## MINUTES OF ECSIP ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES 90 Date March 23, 2023 Time: 1:00pm to 2:30pm

Attendees	Edith Montesclaros, Chelsey Johnson, Donna Brothwell, Susan Drader, Maria Cole-Gayle, Lisa Washington, Oladokun Peter Laniya, Trevor Baker (sitting-in for Chad Holinaty), SherJan Maybanting, kurt Fuchs, Kwene Appah (sitting-in for Mark Packer).
Regrets	Andrew Sedley, Lauretta Ritchie-McInnes, Andrea Dielschneider.
Recording	Jummai Umar (LIP Coordinator).
Call to Order	Jummai Umar (LIP Coordinator).

## **Agenda Topics**

Approval of Agenda	<ul> <li>Motion by Lisa Washington. Seconded by Edith Montesclaros.</li> <li>Carried.</li> </ul>
2. Introductions	<ul> <li>Everyone in attendance at the meeting, took turns to say their names, position, and sector represented.</li> </ul>
3. Welcome, review of 2022 and LIP Coordinator report	<ul> <li>LIP /Coordinator welcomed everyone present to the meeting.</li> <li>In 2022, one meeting was held in January, it was an introductory meeting after which the former LIP Coordinator left, there was not much activities in 2022.</li> <li>A copy of written LIP Coordinator's report detailing the LIP activities from January 2023 till date was given to everyone and LIP Coordinator quickly highlighted the major accomplishments.</li> </ul>
3.1 Advisory Council  Member Quotes for  LIP website/  permission to use  partner logos on LIP  website	<ul> <li>ECSIP website is being updated / revamped, quotes/logos were required from partners, and hopefully the website will be up and running by April 2023.</li> <li>It was noted that some members had earlier on sent in their quotes / given their consent for logos to be on ECSIP website,</li> </ul>



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	others yet to do so were asked to please comply before March 31 <sup>st</sup> 2023.
3.2 Reports from IAT meeting	<ul> <li>Newcomer needs identified so far includes but not limited to:</li> <li>i. Social engagement opportunities.</li> <li>ii. Employment opportunities.</li> <li>iii. Positive attitudes toward immigrants, cultural diversity, and the presence of newcomers in the community.</li> <li>iv. Links between main actors working toward welcoming communities. (Newcomers are lacking access to information on settlement services).</li> </ul>
3.3 Online Survey of Newcomers to the community and their settlement experiences (share survey link to all known Newcomers)	<ul> <li>Two online (google documents) surveys have been created for review by the Advisory Council namely:</li> <li>i. Survey of Newcomers to East Central Saskatchewan and their 'Settlement Experiences'</li> <li>ii. East Central Saskatchewan Immigration Partnership (ECSIP) 'Newcomers Needs' Assessment Survey</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>4 Items for discussion:</li> <li>4.1 Election of chair and co-chair</li> <li>4.2 Terms of Reference draft</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Lisa Washington volunteered to be the Chair Person for ECSIP Advisory Council and Maria Cole-Gayle volunteered to be her Co-Chair.</li> <li>A review was made in the mission statement to "the East Central Saskatchewan Immigration Partnership will educate, collaborate and partner for the integration and retention of new immigrants in East Central Saskatchewan"</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>It was also agreed that "the 17 characteristics of a welcoming community" and the IAT terms of reference be added as addendums.</li> </ul>



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4.3 Development of a local settlement strategy identifying key community-specific priorities - A Theory of Change (TOC)	<ul> <li>Identify the needs- The partnership has to hear from the IAT on more needs and gaps in the communities</li> <li>Gather the data on available resources</li> <li>There is need to come up with an asset mapping document.</li> <li>Asset mapping - what tools are available for both rural and urban settlements</li> <li>specific priorities with the end result in mind</li> <li>Logic model as opposed to theory of change.</li> </ul>
5 Next Meeting	<ul> <li>Proposed meeting schedules for 2023 are March 23, June 15,</li> <li>September 14 and December 7</li> </ul>
6 Adjournment	Motion by Donna Brothwell. Seconded by Maria Cole-Gayle.  Carried.

Digitally signed by Lisa Washington Date: 2023.06.22 11:13:00 -06:00'

**ECSIP** Chair

ECSIP Co-chair Recorder