

Minutes 1-12-2022  
North Iowa Diversity Appreciation Team

The North Iowa Diversity Appreciation Team met in the big room of the Mason City Public Library and also Zoomed virtually on Wednesday, February 9, 2022. Those in attendance were Erica McBride and April Concepcion. LeAnne Clausen de Montes, Dede Maloy and Jane Ginapp joined via Zoom.

Erica called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm. It was determined that we had a quorum.

**January 13 minutes:** Dede made the motion to accept the minutes and seconded by LeAnne. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** No treasurer's report.

**Website and Facebook update:** Website is seeing agenda and minutes uploaded. No further updates.

**Art/Writing Contest**

There were forty submissions per Erica. This is thanks to a 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade class in Newman that made this an assignment. These submissions will be saved in a One Drive folder to allow access to collaborate on next steps.

There are three judges for art and another three for writing. The deadline for judging the submission is February 28<sup>th</sup>. Erica will send out reminders, so all submissions are in. She will also attempt putting these together in a video.

Award Ceremony – how to discuss if this is virtual, in-person or hybrid? Send an e-mail to take a vote? Tentative timeframe to publish the ceremony is end of March or early April.

**Old Business -**

**Immigrant Population Welcome Initiative with LSI** - No update from Bill.

**Ethnic Lunch** - No update from Bill.

**New Business** - no new business was presented. The group briefly talked about immigrant population. There is no information available when these new residents may be arriving in the area or their ethnicity.

Erica called the meeting to adjourn. Motion was made by LeAnne and seconded by Dede. The motion passed. The meeting ended at 4:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
April Concepcion