



## Cultural Connections Committee

**October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**3:30pm**  
**Nashua Public Library**

### **I. Call To Order : Chair Deepa Mangalat**

The mission of the Cultural Connections Committee is to encourage understanding and appreciation of Ethnic Diversity in the City of Nashua and to facilitate communication between the ethnic community and city government

### **11. Roll Call : 3:40pm**

Attendees: Jessica Ayala, Carlos Camacho, Cecilia Ulibarri, Amanda Martinez, Adelina Hernandez, Lauren Osowski, Jennifer Hosking, Mohammed Mustak Arif, Samba Halkose.

Guest: Eric Droudart: Incoming President of Club Richelieu-replacing Loretta; in US since 1973, Nashua 1999, teaches at Assumption College in International Business. Knows Dominique

### **111 Minutes to be approved:**

Deepa made motion to improve the minutes, Carlos second, motion passed

### **1V. Report of the Chair and/or Subcommittee**

Chair's Report: Deepa Mangalat

- a) Deepa discussed the change of format in where we meet in the community of those we serve
  - a. Eric described Club Richelieu-20 members, most descendants of French Canadians, mission to preserve language. Give money to organizations helping children. Wants to learn more about what CCC does
  - b. Carlos-Nashua RED Committee (Racial Ethnic Disparities) -Carlos is chair, meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Police Dept. Teaching classes to 8th graders. Started this week at Elm Street, 1 hour class, role reversal. Motto: Giving and Getting Respect will help outcomes be much better.
  - c. Cecilia-trainers, Cultural Competency to train other non-profits, organizations via MBK initiative
    - i. Amanda to send out 1 pager to attach to minutes
    - ii. We can also partner with other groups to take training
    - iii. Amanda provided information regarding the need for teachers for the Skill Builders program

- d. Jessica-Public Health perspective-Can be difficult for community to understand the services that are available to them. Jessica helps through the PHD to provide immunizations, health care information
- e. Deepa-at the last Gate City meeting-discussed a family needing help. Jessica and Mustak offered to help.
- f. Paul attended the Interfaith meeting-presentation Nashua School District, regarding Strategic Plan, Suzanne Potter asked for feedback. Next meeting Nov. 7 First Church of Nashua.
  - i. Interfaith is also hosting Open House tours at St. Philip Greek Orthodox Church, on Saturday, October 20th, 5-7 PM, 500 West Hollis Street, Nashua, to get to know our neighbors.
- g. Mustak talked about trying to help local youth. Lauren mentioned sending the 18 yr. old to ADLC since the son does not want to go to school. Carlos also offered to talk to the family.

## **V. Communications and /or Presentations**

### **VI. Old Business**

#### **VII. New Business:**

- a) Crime Watch Meetings- Carlos can provide list of meetings
- b) Job Fair at the ADLC; Thursday and Friday, October 18 & 19
- c) Club Richelieu meets one Sunday per month.

Meeting adjourned at 4:42pm