



MINUTES

WeROC Meeting of the Whole

Thursday, April 6, 2023

5:30-6:30

6:30-7:00 extension if needed

In Person: 111 S. Wallace, Ypsilanti, MI 48197 or

Via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7643282234>

Attendance: Jeffery Harrold, Cindy Bodewes, Lois Richardson, Justin Harper, Harvey Somers, Tad Wysor, John Hollingsworth, Judy Jackson, Charlotte Tillerson, Doug Carpenter, Rita Turner-Sheerin, Alyshia Dyer

Meeting Facilitator: Cindy Bodewes

5:30 Opening Reflection by Harvey

5:35 Agenda Review

5:40 Brief Introductions (Name, affiliation)/- waived since all aware of each other

5:45 WeROC Officer/Executive Board Elections Slate was elected and many thanks to the nominating committee for pulling the slate together and making the calls needed,

Discussion and recommendation to form an ongoing bylaws committee to address questions of quorum for the next election cycle.

We will have rolling elections to avoid all officers to be on the same service cycle. VP serves one year this term and Secretary and Treasurer serve 2 years this cycle.

Nominating Committee Recommended Slate was adopted.

- President - Cynthia Bodewes
- Vice President - Charlotte Tillerson
- Secretary - Rita Turner-Sheerin
- Treasurer - Tad Wysor
- Parliamentarian - Alyshia Dyer
- Members at Large - Lois Allen Richardson, John Hollingsworth.

6:10 Updates on Current Happenings

- Family Hotel Housing Crises--Cindy WeROC is working with ICPJ and Cindy is committing WEROC to be an engaged partner as this moves through solutions with the County Commissioners
- MOSES/WeROC In-Reach Initiative—Follow up to 101 training on March 18--Cindy A new date TBD
- Union efforts---Tad reported that WeROC is a standing agenda item for the Huron Valley Labor Federation; We ROC is supporting GEO strike and following court process

6:15 Action Team Updates

- Justice Matters Working on the license plate readers

- Voter Rights had a wonderful presentation on the opportunity index data and how we can assess the areas we we can work to increase voter education and turnout
- Health Equity: Ponsella Hardaway and Cindy Bodewes are discussing a regional approach to Health Equity and more information will be forthcoming

Discussions and Additional Announcements

Lois reported on a Gameliel monthly meeting on transformational justice every 24th day of each month. She will forward details to Cindy for distribution
There will be a national meeting in Mobile in July and WeROC is advised to send members

There will be a May 1 8 to 3:30 Community Violence Intervention with guest Robert Abt author of Bleeding Out

Harvey reported that LWV is sponsoring the Juvenile Justice Forum on May 10 with Eli Savit.

The Dispute Resolution Center is looking for new space.

6:25 Evaluation and Adjourn

6:30-7:00 Fellowship and/or Extended Conversation if needed/desired

Next Meetings

May 4
June 1
July 6

Our Mission

WeROC brings together faith, labor, community organizations and individuals to build healthy collective power needed to break down the systems that sustain injustice, racism, and economic inequality.

Our Vision

WeROC's vision is to use our organizing process for the purpose of creating opportunities for more people of color, lower income residents, and youth to participate at the tables where decisions affecting them and the broader community are made, so that together we are developing effective strategies for dismantling the structures that stubbornly maintain injustice, racism, and economic inequality in our area.