

Lakewood Community Relations Advisory Commission
Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2026
6:30pm - 8:00pm
East Conference Room, Lakewood City Hall

Present: Tracy Greenberg, Jason Frederick, Dawn Ellis, Jessica Cotton, Michelle Meno, Mary Kennedy, Meghan Ritter, and Meredith Danko
City Staff: Melissa Garrett

Absent: Sam Pearson and Marissa Ostromek

Called to order: 6:36pm

Motion to approve the minutes: Jason Frederick

Second: Tracy Greenberg

Minor correction under elections of officers - co-char → co-chair

Election of Officers:

- Nominations for Co-Chair: Dawn nominated Jason - Jason accepted, unanimously approved
- Nominations for Co-Chair: Jason nominated Jessica - Jessica accepted, unanimously approved
- Tracy and Jason nominated Meghan for Secretary - Meghan accepted, unanimously approved

2026 Community Diversity Potluck Update:

- Approved for May 14th @ Cove Community Center 6pm-8pm (capacity 190)
- Soliciting donations from local businesses
 - There is a spreadsheet of local businesses from past events (food, gift cards) in the Community Relations Drive; Members can put their names next to the ones they are going to reach out to
- Mary will reach out to Stacy for decorations
- Jason will reach out to Rebecca for decorations
- Reach out to LHS about engaging students to volunteer - language classes, ranger cafe,
- Outreach: social media, water bill, Mary will write up something for the Observer and reach out to staff at Harrison, community boards at schools, Jessica will reach out to LHS contacts
- Jason will update flyer - purple background with white letters; enlarge date and location; include email address for questions
- Live music: Tracy will reach out to her contacts about cost for playing part of the event; could set up in the small alcove
- Rotary international - reach out to them to come share information about their programs
- Mary will check to see if possible to giveaway a tree

2026 Welcome to Lakewood Update

- Going to table discussions around this until after the Diversity Potluck
- Melissa is going back and forth with the recreation department on confirming a date

Announcements

- Tracy will be on a panel discussion at the Beck center (March 3rd) discussing being a disabled artist; Tracy will be going to the statehouse for disability advocacy; Project Drew - partnered with a Veteran to create a song and perform; Presenting at Case for Rare Disease Day
- Mary - on the tree board, tree giveaway portal opens April 8th, partnering with arbor foundation; spring giveaway date will be May 2nd 10am; Cove working on building their outdoor space

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