



Hartford NEXT Virtual Board Meeting Agenda 11/19/2020

Via Video Conference Call: 712.770.4700 Access Code: 284525

Online meeting ID: hartfordnext

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Time: 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Mission: A collective voice of Hartford residents and stakeholders working to strengthen and grow our community

Desired Outcomes:

- Better understanding of current NRZ and member organizations’ initiatives to inform HNXT’s activities

Time (estimates)	Agenda Item	Facilitator Presenter	Purpose/Action	Activity/Essential Questions
6:00–6:05 pm	Welcome & Introductions	Board Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • Review/Confirm Agenda • Review Ground Rules 	Introductions Changes/Acceptance of Agenda Protocol for Virtual Meetings
6:05–6:10 pm	Board Business	Marion Violette	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of October Board Minutes • Financial Report 	Review and Vote Financial Status
6:10 – 6:20 pm	Updates & Reports	Committee Chairs, Project Leads,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Communications & Marketing ○ Program ○ Governance 	Status updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What has been accomplished? • Are we on the right track? • What support do we need? • Where do we go from here?
6:20–6:35 pm	NRZ Reports	NRZ Reps	Up Date from NRZ Reps, Hartford Public Library, Center for Latino Progress and City of Hartford	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are key items for each neighborhood or organization? • Is there need for support? • Is there anything that HNXT is be requested to do?
6:35–6:45 pm	Board Orientation	Ed Edgardo	Discussion	What should I know as a Board Member? What can I do?
6:45 – 6:50 pm	New Business	All	New items for discussion	Items for Next Month’s Agenda
6:50 - 6:55 pm	Guest	Luz Holmes CT Assoc for Human Services	Financial Navigator	Program to assist Hartford residents manage financial impact of COVIT-19.
6:55 – 7:00 pm	Assessment & Close	Board	Continuous improvement	How am I doing as a board member? What went well? What did not go well? What needs to change? Does anything need to be documented and voted on?



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- Continued 2020 -2021 planning
- Better understanding of current NRZ and member organizations’ initiatives
- Action Plans with assigned responsibilities

1	Edward Edgardo	Asylum Hill	X	11	Cappy McDowell	SW/BTR	ABS
2	Janice Castle	City of Hartford	X	12	Emily Wolfe	Upper Albany	X
3	Randal Davis	City of Hartford	X	13	Matthew Marks	WECA	ABS
4	Jean Holloway	Clay Arsenal	ABS	14	Lindsay Ewing	WECA	ABS
5	Bernadine Silvers	CSS/CON	EXC	15	Jeffrey Stewart	At-Large	X
6	Carey Shea	Frog Hollow	X	16	Mary Falvey	At- Large HPA	X
7	Darlene Childs	North East	ABS	17	Violette Haldane	At-Large	X
8	Emely Lugo	South End	X	18	Elizabeth Davis	At-Large HPL	X
9	Laura Settlemyer	South Downtown	ABS	19	Milagros Gonzalez	At-Large CLP	ABS
10	Claudette Worth	MARG	X				
Board=19 Quorum=10							
	Baver, Jeremy - ED		EX		Henry Hester (Associate Member)		
	Antonich, Jack (Associate Member)		X		Bongi Magubane (Associate Member)		
	Yvonne Matthews (Associate Member)				Guest: Shelby Williams		X

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Marion called the meeting to order. No changes to the agenda were proposed.



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<p>Motion made and seconded to approve the September minutes; minutes were approved.</p> <p>Violette summarized the financial report. There was minimal activity; the three checks written last month cleared.</p>				
6:10 – 6:20 pm	Updates & Reports	Committee Chairs, Project Leads,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Communications & Marketing ○ Program ○ Governance 	Status updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What has been accomplished? • Are we on the right track? • What support do we need? • Where do we go from here?
<p>Edward Edgardo – Governance Committee will meet in November to identify areas of the bylaws that need updating, which they will circulate to Board for comment and discussion.</p> <p>Mary Falvey – Lindsay Ewing is going to maintain the web site</p> <p>Program - ?</p>				



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<p>Asylum Hill: The Hartford is making a 5-year \$10 million investment in the neighborhood, which will include financial support to the NRZ</p> <p>Frog Hollow: Organized Love Your Block-supported beautification at Zion Hill Cemetery</p> <p>Southwest: Concerned with issues of traffic and roadway safety</p> <p>MARG – NRZ priority is reopening of the Community Court. There was discussion about how HNXT could express the neighborhoods’ wishes to get the Community Court reopened; Jeff Stewart noted that all the courts were reopening on a schedule based on priority and urgency.</p> <p>Library -</p>				



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<p>This item was moved to a future meeting.</p>				
6:45 – 6:55	New Business	All	New items for discussion	What are we missing regarding our Mission Vision, Values and Purpose? Items for Next Month’s Agenda
<p>Shelby Williams from Voices of Women of Color (VOWOC) made a presentation the CT Tobacco Flavoring Campaign, a policy initiative dedicated to limiting the use of flavors that hide the bad taste of tobacco and makes easier for kids to try. The campaign is looking to diversify its base and seek support on a legislative level from organizations in the greater Hartford, New Haven, and Bridgeport area.</p> <p>VOWOC believes that Hartford Next would be an important partner to have in writing testimony and advocating for public health policy that directly impacts our communities and is asking for Hartford Next to be a supportive partner in this campaign and participate by writing and testifying on a legislative level with the goal to limit the use of flavoring in tobacco products.</p> <p>No decision was made; this item will be discussed at the next meeting.</p>				
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For more information:

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