

Seattle Immigrant and Refugee Commission

May 9, 2023 (6:00-8:00 PM)

Meeting Minutes

Commissioners Present:	Emmanuel G. V. Dolo, Afra Mahmood, Amanda Sandoval
Commissioners Absent:	Maria Jimenez-Zepeda, Ilay Aden, Heather Yang Hwalek, Gul Siddiqi
Staff Present:	Luanda Arai, Annie Dimitras, Shilpa Sagar
Guests:	Anand Rao
Call to Order:	6:04 pm

Welcome – Emmanuel opened the meeting, welcomed attendees, and invited attendees to check in.

Approval of April Meeting Minutes

- There was no quorum and meeting minutes were not approved.

Vote: Recommendation of Appointment for Ahmad Hilal Abid

- There was no quorum, and the vote did not take place.

Event Planning Committee Update

- Afra recapped the work she and Heather are doing to plan for a Commission event in the fall and asked commissioners to vote for their preferred topic.

OIRA Report

- Luanda reported on OIRA's activities in the previous month and upcoming community events which OIRA plans to have a presence.

World Refugee Day Planning

- Amanda gave a brief update.

Adjourn

- The commission adjourned at 7:04 pm.