

Seattle Immigrant and Refugee Commission Meeting Minutes July 11, 2023 (6:00-8:00pm)

Commissioners Present:	Emmanuel G. V. Dolo, Afra Mahmood, Maria Jimenez-Zepeda, Ilays Aden, Heather Yang Hwalek, Gul Siddiqi
Commissioners Absent:	Amanda Sandoval
Staff Present:	Shilpa Sagar, Javiera Wood
Guests:	Ahmad Hilal Abid
Call to Order:	6:14 pm

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

Vote: Approval of June Meeting Minutes

June meeting minutes were approved.

Get Engaged Commission Member

- Ilays and Emmanuel gave an update on the Get Engaged interview.

Follow up on World Refugee Day Event

- Maria, Gul, and Emmanuel gave an update on the event and the next steps.

Follow up on Fall Community Event

- Heather and Afra provided a status update on their work regarding the event and the next steps.

OIRA Report

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

Adjourn

- The commission adjourned at 7:22 pm.