

Seattle Immigrant and Refugee Commission Meeting Minutes December 12, 2023 (6:00-8:00 pm)

Commissioners Present:	Gul Siddiqi, Amanda Sandoval, Ilays Aden
Commissioners Absent:	Afra Mahmood, Amelia Ossorio, Heather Yang-Hwalek, Emmanuel G. V. Dolo
Staff Present:	Shilpa Salgar
Guests:	Balraj Kalia, Ribicca Mamuye
Call to Order:	6:10 pm

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

Vote: Approval of November Meeting Minutes

- November meeting minutes were not approved (no quorum).

OIRA Report

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

OPMA Training Overview

- Shilpa gave an overview of the OPMA and sent the commissioners the training links.

Vote: Recommendation for Commissioner

- Did not vote to recommend the commissioner (no quorum).

Commission Reminders

- Ilays gave reminders on the commission and highlighted upcoming items.

Commission and Guest Discussion

- Shared more with guest on commission activities.

Commission Retreat Discussion

- The commission discussed the potential of a retreat.

Next Steps

- Shilpa recorded and read out the commission's action items.

Adjourn

- The commission adjourned at 7:45 pm.