



Innovation & Technology Inclusion Council

July 25, 2024
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:32 PM EST.

I. Roll Call

Present

- Glennette Clark
- Tsjenna Daley
- Anika Holmes
- Erin Horne-McKinney
- Elizabeth Keeton
- Naeim Khanjani
- Diego Mariscal
- Kevin Morgan
- Camille Nixon
- Lindsay Quarles
- Scott Rechler
- Ayanna Smith

Absent

- Julian Alcazar
- Gage Javier
- Dominic Lacy
- Cleve Mesidor
- Unique Morris-Hughes
- Nasir Qadree
- Devon Rollins
- Amber Wason
- Dartanion Williams

Guest

- Adam Lattimore
- Adrian Sutton

II. Welcome and Introductions: Erin Horne McKinney (Chair) and Ayanna Smith (Vice Chair) gave opening remarks, emphasizing their excitement for the new leadership roles and the opportunities ahead.

III. ITIC Updates

a. Contact Information Verification

- i. Members were asked to provide their updated contact details to ensure accurate communication.
- ii. Noted the vacancies for members from the following universities: Georgetown, George Washington, UDC, American and Trinity

Action Item: Members are encouraged to provide potential contacts they may have at any of these universities.

b. Upcoming Retreat

- i. Scheduled for September with a focus on consolidating feedback and strategizing for future initiatives.

Action Item: All members should complete Doodle poll for September retreat by August 15th. Additionally, please provide a recommendation for space for the September retreat.

Deputy Mayor Nina Albert



- IV. ITIC Expansion Discussion
 - a. Missing Elements of the Current Composition
 - i. Discussion on the need for more diverse representation and filling the current vacancies.
 - b. Recommendations for DMPED
 - i. Members provided suggestions on potential new members and organizations to invite to join ITIC to enhance its diversity and effectiveness.
- V. What We've Heard (One-on-One sessions and next steps)
 - a. Involvement and Engagement
 - i. Addressing challenges with meeting attendance due to scheduling and location.
 - ii. Exploring additional meeting times and continuing virtual options.
 - iii. Emphasis on the need for more consistent communication and reminders.
 - b. Goals and Expectations
 - i. Members joined ITIC to advocate for youth, and advance innovation and inclusivity in the tech ecosystem.
 - ii. Suggestions for better defining and communicating annual goals, focusing on actionable steps.
 - c. Networking and Collaboration
 - i. Members shared their experiences and suggestions for improving networking opportunities within ITIC.
 - d. Support and Resources
 - i. Identified resources and support needed by members to be more effective in their roles within ITIC.
 - ii. Education subcommittee will be co-chaired by Scott Rechler and Devon Rollins. Access to Capital subcommittee will have support from Camille Nixon, who will work to identify additional members for the new group. Anika Holmes will provide additional support as a new co-chair to the Workforce Development subcommittee along with Diego Mariscal. Ayanna Smith will join Amber Wason as co-chair for the Entrepreneurship subcommittee.

Action Item: Anyone interested in joining any of these subcommittees should reach out to Tsjenna Daley (Tsjenna.daley1@dc.gov).

 - e. Community Impact
 - i. Discussions on how ITIC can better serve the tech and entrepreneurial community in DC.
 - f. Next Steps
 - i. Completion of one-on-one interviews with council members.
 - ii. Compilation of feedback for September retreat.
 - iii. Ensuring all members' contact information is up to date.- VI. Member Updates and Upcoming Events
 - a. ITIC leadership encouraged continued collaboration and communication among members to support tech and inclusion initiatives.

Adjournment

The full council meeting adjourned at 4:53PM EST.

**Subcommittee Break Outs did not occur due to lack of quorum. **

