



Decision List BC Meeting 07/02/2024

Subtitle	Weekly BC Meeting
Date	07/02/2024
Time	9:00 – 12:00
Location	Courtroom
Chair	Governor Johnson
Attendees	Jonathan Johnson and Bruce Zagers
Absentees	Eviton Heyliger

1.0.0 Welcome

2.0.0 Minutes

Attachment:

BC Meeting Minutes 27-06-2024

BC Minutes 23.2024

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Approved.

3.0.0 Discussion Papers

3.0.1 BC Proposal Saba's Youth Council

Investing in a Youth council offers numerous benefits that can have lasting impacts on both the community and the young people involved. To ensure stability and continuity, we would like the executive council to establish the Saba Youth Council for the next five years. A five-year duration allows the youth council to implement and see through long terms projects and initiatives, ensuring that their efforts result in sustainable and impactful changes within the community of Saba.

Over this period members of the youth council will develop and refine their leadership, organizational and civic engagement skills through workshops, mentorship program and with support from UNICEF. This extended timeframe enables deeper learning and more sustainable personal growth. Also, the youth council will have the opportunity to



understand, influence and shape local policies more effectively. Their sustained presence ensures that youth perspectives are consistently considered in the decision-making process.

Members of the SYC shall be between the ages of 12 and 24 and reside in Saba. The positions of the SYC shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Public Relation Officer, Community Liaison and Council Members. The SYC will be comprise of 12 youths and will seek a diverse representation of Saban youth. As the council further develops, the group will create with guidance from adult mentors their own code of conduct, budget, and membership handbook with a defined youth leadership structure.

The objectives of the SYC will be to provide a collective voice and represent Saban youth in all matters that concern them; to serve as a means of mobilizing and coordinating the actions of youth, other community members and organizations toward positive goals; to promote the development of future community leaders; to help solve problems facing Saban youth; to coordinate community service projects and provide opportunities for the youth to interact for fun and their overall development.

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3.0.3

Culture Department: Saba Culture Policy

The National Cultural Heritage Agency under the Ministry of OCW has approved the application of funds for writing the Saba Culture Policy. The objective is to create a comprehensive, community-driven culture policy plan that reflects the island's cultural aspirations and needs. The result is a document outlining cultural objectives, strategies, and initiatives. This is a joint effort of the Public Entity Saba and the Saba Heritage Center.

The Community Development and Culture Department would like to propose a candidate for developing and writing the Saba Culture Policy.

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3.0.4 Prefinancing Emancipation Day Event

In recent years, the Public Entity has been celebrating the emancipation of slavery on Saba through the annual July 1 Emancipation Day Event. This year, a project was written and approved by the Directorate of Emancipation, Racism and Discrimination at OCW. The total budget approved is \$30,000. A copy of the approved project proposal is attached.

This year the Committee will also organize and host Commemoration Year Speaker Series, which consists of presentations by speakers meant to raise awareness on the slavery past and its impact on society, including women, which is the focus of this year's theme.

The celebration on July 1 will feature a cultural celebration of food, tributes and poems, and a focus on women through cultural expression. The approved budget by the Directorate of Emancipation, Racism and Discrimination for this project proposal is \$30,000, which we will receive from the Free Allowance Budget.

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3.0.5 Recess July 27 to august 27, 2024

It is proposed to implement an official recess from July 27, 2024, to August 27, 2024. A recess is a period during which regular meetings and activities of the administration are temporarily suspended, allowing officials and civil servants the opportunity to take a break for rest and reflection. Introducing a recess offers several advantages. First and foremost, it provides a clear and structured break from intensive work. Additionally, the recess allows them to prepare for the second half of the year, returning to their duties with renewed energy and fresh perspectives.

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4.0.0 Formalities

5.0.0 Incoming pieces/request (on paper)



- 6.0.0** **Announcements**
1. Governor Johnson
 2. Commissioner Zagers
 3. Commissioner Heyliger
 4. Island Secretary Streppel

7.0.0 **Signing**

8.0.0 **Closing**