



## **THE MULTICULTURAL COMMITTEE AND THE BOSTON GLOBE ARTICLES**

The Multicultural Committee has been a standing committee of the GBCVB Board of Directors since 2004.

The Committee has met each month from September to June since 2004. It does not meet in July or August. However, some diverse convention activities have been supported during the summer months.

Carole Copeland Thomas has been the Committee's Chair since 2004 and is also a member of the Board of Directors.

The Multicultural Committee has worked closely with GBCVB staff members as prospective and upcoming diverse meetings, conventions and conferences come to Boston. The Committee supports all efforts to promote Boston as the multicultural destination for all ethnicities.

The Multicultural Committee was not a part of the GBCVB Search Committee fielding candidates for the proposed Chief Operating Officer's position.

Carole Copeland Thomas received comments of remorse from the Board leadership following the Boston Globe articles.

The April 25, 2018 "Meet and Greet" that will be held at the African American House has been in the planning stages since Fall 2017. The Committee periodically holds events to bring awareness of its existence and to highlight the importance of cross cultural initiatives in the travel and tourism industry.

The Multicultural Committee stands ready to support all efforts to advance diversity, inclusion, and multiculturalism through the GBCVB. Going forward, the Multicultural Committee will work closely with the GBCVB on leisure marketing initiatives, including the production of a cross cultural Boston video.