

MINUTES
Outreach and Education Subcommittee
of the
Human Relations Commission
February 21, 2006 @ 5:30
City Hall –6th Floor large Conference Room
3900 Main St
Riverside, CA 92501
(951) 826-5709/5302/5427

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes of January 23rd, 2006

Motion: To approve the minutes of January 23, 2006

M/S/C: Isom/Moore/Carried

Amended: Amend item V.D. to state that this issue was tabled for further discussion.

III. Introductions and Public Comment

No public comment.

IV. Old Business

A. Day of Dialogue

Staff provided a brief update on the date and location of the Day of Dialog regarding Hate Crimes. Commissioner Isom guided commissioners through a draft agenda for the meeting. Commissioner Isom clarified that the panelist will include the principle of the MLK school, youth, school counselors, Western Inland Empire Coalition Against Hate members, and possibly a school board member. In addition, the panelists will moderate the event. Commissioner Beeman suggested that the breakout groups be given questions to answer and then report out on to the larger group. She also suggested that the panelists frame the issue by talking about hate incidents in the school as well as in the community. Commissioner Negron Bermo suggested that a table be available with information and resources.

Motion: To approve funding for this event up to \$150 for materials and refreshments

M/S/C: Negron/Isom/Carried

B. HRC Video

Commissioners received a brief staff update on the status of the HRC Video.

C. Community Access Program

Commissioners discussed the lack of progress for this program and are currently waiting to hear from Ennette Nuesbaum to clarify the procedure.

D. 2006 Goals and Priorities

The Committee reviewed the 2006 Goals and Priorities and create programmatic responses to the identified community needs.

1) Racial Tensions in the Schools

- Day of Dialog at MLK and follow-up
- EYAC
- Reenergize Multicultural Youth Councils
- Youth Community Building Grant Program
- Project BRIDGE-look for collaboration

2) Achievable Housing

- Inventory City and County Resources
- White paper on current housing policies as well as regional best practices and community discussion

2)b. Homelessness

- Victory Outreach quarterly report to HRC

3) Community Tensions

- Public Access Program to raise the profile of the HRC
- Calendar of meeting locations
- Access Riverside

4) Police/Community Relations

- PRD Liaison Program
- RPD cultural competence training
- Promoting Citizen's Police Academy

- 5) Youth Participation in the Community
 - Continuing work with EYAC
 - Youth Council Collaboration
- 6) Immigration
 - “Justice for Immigrants” Catholic campaign dialog
 - Day of Dialog
- 7) Job Discrimination in City Departments
- 8) Hate Crimes
 - Collaboration with Western Inland Empire Coalition Against Hate
- 9) Better Understanding between religions

Commissioner Isom presented a proposal to develop a youth community building grant program to help sponsor youth events that fit the mission of the Human Relations Commission. This issue will be placed on the next Outreach and Education agenda.

V. New Business

A. Event Participation-Eastside Health Fair

Commissioners agreed to participate with the EYAC in the Eastside Health Fair and Teen Expo on April 16th, 2006.

B. RPD Liaison Program Commissioner Replacement

The committee agreed to open up the recruitment to the whole commission. Commissioner Beeman will develop a recruitment form.

VI. Adjournment at 6:38pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jen Gray-O'Connor