

Minutes
Human Relations Commission
Education/Outreach Committee
November 21, 2005

Present: Chani Beeman, Jan Moore, Aric Isom, Sonya Walker

Absent: Luz Negron-Bermo (excused), Marisa Valdez Yeager (absent)

I Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:33pm.

II Approval of Minutes of October 24, 2005

MOTION: To approve minutes of October 24, 2005.

M/S/C: Beeman/Moore/Carried, 1 abstention

III Introductions

IV Old Business

A. Disability Roundtable

Commissioner S. Walker gave an summary that took place on November 14th to discuss Disability Issues.

B. Eastside Outreach

Staff gave an update that Pedro Payne met with the Assistant City Manager, Tom DeSantis to discuss the Department of Justice Eastside plan. The meeting was well received and staff will now plan the community meetings with the representative of the Justice Department.

Commissioner Beeman brought up her concern that the recent staffing issues within City Hall are going to contribute to the effectiveness of some of the programs offered by Justice Department.

The committee asked staff to set up a meeting with a select community leaders and James Williams prior to going to the larger community.

C. Horizon Line Follow Up

The committee reviewed the evaluations provided by Encompass of the presentation at Sherman Indian High School.

V. New Business

A. WHEELS Production

Commissioners Beeman and Isom will follow up on a potential location.

B. Hate Incident at MLK

Commissioner Wilson is working with Commissioner G. Walker to see what response is going to MLK regarding the hate incident.

MOTION: To offer study circles as an option for response.

M/S/C: Isom/Moore/Carried

C. Diversity Training for Riverside Police Department

Commissioner Beeman gave the background of how this request came as a result of a discussion with Chief Leach. The feeling of Chief Leach is that he

would like the Department to have Diversity Training that is community based. Commissioner Beeman and staff have been trained in Cultural Competency and could help to develop the material and train the trainers who are interested in HRC. Commissioner Beeman will meet with staff and the chief to have a draft of ideas by the next meeting.

VI Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm. The next meeting will be January 9th at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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