

Minutes  
Human Relations Commission  
Executive Committee  
November 29, 2005

Present: Chani Beeman, Gladys Walker, Sonya Walker, and AJ Wilson

Absent: Sherry Gordon, and David St. Pierre

Staff: Pedro Payne and Jenna McAlmond

**I Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:40pm by Commissioner Wilson.

**II Approval of Minutes**

MOTION: To approve the minutes of October 4, 2006 as modified.

M/S/C: Beeman/S. Walker/Carried

MOD: Correct spelling of Art Alcaraz.

Strike the last sentence under the section discussing Mr. Alcaraz.

**III Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Payne gave an oral report of the progress of current projects.

**IV Report of the Chair**

Chairperson Wilson asked that staff include the city employment demographics in the annual report card. Commissioner Wilson asked that staff contact various leaders of religious and cultural groups and ask them to share their holiday celebrations. The committee discussed Christmas, Hannukah, Ramadan, Kwanza, and potential Winter Solstice. Email Chairperson Wilson the name of the Rabbi at Bethel. Commissioner S. Walker will contact her pastor, Mr. Payne will contact Dr. Kuko, and Delores. Commissioner Beeman will contact a Wichan representative. The committee asked that tables be available to place materials.

**V Subcommittee Reports**

A. Governmental Affairs

The committee discussed the issue of doing Immigration Study Circles at this time. Chairperson Wilson suggested that we have a large meeting as a potential kick off for Study Circles. The format would be a time of presentations, and then to break out into small group discussions. The committee discussed having various groups join in the planning. The committee discussed having the presenters return to this larger group discussions. The committee returned this back to Education/Outreach to plan. The meeting would be limited to invited guest, approximately 100 people.

B. Education/Outreach

WHEELS production will take place on Tuesday, December 5th at 6pm. It will be at First Congregational Church in the Parlor room in the basement.

MOTION: To approve \$100 for refreshments.

M/S/C: Approved by unanimous vote.

Education/Outreach offered to do a Study Circle or day of dialogue regarding hate incidents. The committee discussed partnering with WIECAH. Staff discussed holding this in conjunction with MLK.

**VI Old Business**

A. Eastside Community Plan

Pedro met with the Assistant City Manager and received a positive. Staff will set up the next meeting with James Williams and community leaders.

B. HRC Video

Commissioner S. Walker provided a potential script for the video. The Education/Outreach committee will further discuss the points and meet with the marketing group.

**VII New Business**

A. Code Enforcement Data

Mr. Payne distributed data collected regarding neighborhood breakdown of code enforcement calls.

B. HRC 2006 Meetings

Jenna provided a draft of meeting schedules for 2006.

The committee discussed moving the Executive Committee meetings to Thursday rather than Tuesday. The committee approved the draft of meeting schedules.

**VIII Draft Agenda Review**

The committee planned the November agenda.

**IX Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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