

**Human Rights Committee**  
**June 1, 2009**  
**Minutes**

Members Present: Shirley Decker, Sean Novak, Carole Richardson, Kira Gray, Elizabeth Husbands, Susan Poindexter, Lori Flynn, Blossom Hill, Jeremy Dickman

Members Absent: Kim Brown, Robert Newby

Meeting called to order at 5:15 p.m.

**1. Approval of Minutes**

- Approval of minutes from 5/11 mtg. Motion by Sean Novak.

**2. Diversity Coordinator Report**

- Attending Conference the week of June 8, 2009 from Wed-Friday.
- Diversity Awareness on CMU requesting HRC rep in Oct 09.
- 2% funding did not happen.
- Picture of committee members for HRC page.

**3. Legislative Activity – Kim Brown: No Report**

**4. Old Business**

*a) HRC Website*

- Carol submitted a mock-up of the home page of the website.
  - \* Add resources page.
  - \* Change Jeremy's title to include Union Township representative.
  - \* Add county seal/link.
  - \* Committee members be prepared be prepared to take picture at July 6, 2009 meeting.

*b) Subcommittee Update*

- No Updates.
- EH to get copy of goals to Lori w/o objectives
- Kira to write article of intro and email to committee prior to next meeting.

*c) Proclamation*

- Mayor sent certificate of support
- Union Township adopted proclamation
- Commissioner meeting tomorrow at 7:00p.m.
- Letter will be sent to Shannon M & Hunter G with copies of the proclamation and letters of support.

*d) Disability Awareness*

- Disability awareness committee requesting HRC representing at Soup and Substance lunch (10/1 or (10/28). 12-1 Sean, Elizabeth, Carol
- Suggestion to use this as an opportunity to do a community forum.
- Motion that 10/28 HRC co-host soup & substance with multi-cultural affair by Sean. Seconded by Carol & Kira.
- Multicultural Fair 10/17 (7am-5pm) at Finch Field house. Volunteers needed.
- Incident Report Form submitted from Farwell.
- Letter needs to be sent to addressee.
- Carole drafted sample letter.

**5. New Business**

- Sean attended conference on race and ethnicity in higher education in San Diego. Well worth the time and cost. Will bring copies of some of the presentations to next meeting. Send power point to members.
- Move public comment to # 2 on agenda.
- Kira will be doing a presentation on using the "R" word at Plachta auditorium in October. No solid commitment.
- Carole: Next meeting falls on the day following the 4<sup>th</sup>. Should we make a change?
- Sean: Graffiti on storage unit Preston & Mission.

**6. Public Comments**

- Laura Gonzales. Thank you for action on proclamation. Representing Mount Pleasant Area Diversity Group.
- Planning a movie for September at the high school and the topic is to be determined. Next meeting at the library.

Next meeting is July 6, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.