

**Human Rights Committee**  
**December 7, 2009**  
**Minutes**

Members Present: Shirley Decker, Patty Csernai, Robert Newby, Elizabeth Husbands,  
Lori Flynn Tyree, Laura Gonzales, William Calhoun, Carol  
Richardson, Jeannie Jackson

Members Absent: Kira Grey, Sue Poindexter

Meeting called to order at 5:15 p.m. with a moment of silence in honor of those who lost  
their lives at Pearl Harbor as requested by Will Calhoun

**1. Approval of Minutes**

Corrections to minutes: It was suggested that names in minutes be complete  
proper names with both first and last names - Moved by Will Calhoun and  
seconded by Carole Richardson. Carried unanimously.

**2. Public Comment**

- None

**3. Statement by Will Calhoun.** Regarding the history of committee requesting  
committee support to conduct historical search of committee history. Results  
would be posted on the web site. Committee initially established 1984 as the  
Disability Advisory Committee. Committee and Will Calhoun will research the  
records of the formation of the Human Rights Committee and its predecessors.  
Motion made by Will Calhoun and seconded by Jeanne Jackson. Carried  
Unanimously.

**4. Diversity Coordinator Report**

- No 2% funding. No grant funds. Today is Blossom Hill's last day. Tim  
Dolehanty will attend the next meeting to discuss funding.
- Blossom Hill's computer will be available if the Human Rights Committee  
members need to access files or notes.

**5. Old Business**

- *Human Rights Committee 2010 Strategies* – Motion to form subcommittee  
to look into replacement of Diversity Coordinator by Robert Newby.  
Subcommittee will present ideas to the Human Rights Committee prior to  
next meeting. Seconded by Will Calhoun. Carried Unanimously.  
Volunteers - Will Calhoun, Laura Gonzales, and Elizabeth Husbands.
- *POD case discussion* – Move to postpone by Will Calhoun until January 4,  
2010. Seconded by Lori Flynn Tyree.

## 6. New Business

- *2010 Human Rights Committee Meeting Schedule at 5:15 pm:*

January 4, 2010  
February 1, 2010  
March 1, 2010  
April 5, 2010  
May 3, 2010  
June 7, 2010  
July 12, 2010  
August 2, 2010  
September 13, 2010  
October 4, 2010  
November 1, 2010  
December 6, 2010

- Elizabeth Husbands moved that in February 2010 the subcommittee be formed to carry out goals of the ARC. Seconded by Will Calhoun.
- Robert Newby- Asked what are our individual responsibilities. Carole Richardson answered we are leadership role
- Laura Gonzales – Handout  
Information regarding the Kalamazoo voters approved an anti-discrimination ordinance. Our city does not have this ordinance.
- Patti Csernai to ask the County for allocation to purchase eleven name tags for the Human Rights Committee at \$9 each.
- Jeanne Jackson – first time meeting to carry out Jeremy Dickman’s term for one year. All introduced themselves to Jeanne.
- Carole Richardson moved for adjournment. Will Calhoun seconded.

Next meeting is January 4, 2010 at 5:15 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.