

Isabella Co Human Rights Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: August 1, 2016

Called to order: 5:18 PM

Members Present

Amy Shawboose
Anne Swift
Shuna Stevens, Secretary
David Ling, County Commissioner
Laura Gonzales
Maureen Eke, Chair
Wendy Hovey
Elizabeth Husbands, Vice-Chair
Shirley Decker
Sue Poindexter

Excused Absences

1. Welcome:

The meeting was called to order by Chair Maureen Eke at 5:18pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Sue Poindexter moved to approve the agenda. Laura Gonzales seconded, motion passed.

3. Approval of July 2016 Meeting Minutes

Wendy Hovey motioned to approve the minutes as amended, Anne Swift seconded, motion passed.

4. General Public Comment

There was no general public comment.

5. Reports:

Chair's Report

- Budget review and discussion.
- Eke reported that Elizabeth Husbands will be bringing in mock copies of the business card and letterhead mock ups for review.
- Eke reported that Jessica, a CMU graduate student, was interested in being the HRC intern, and that Jessica had been to meetings in the past.
- Eke will be making the year-end report to the County Commissioners tomorrow (8/2) at 4pm.
- Fall activities: World Peace Day on September 21 discussion, Eke and Amy Shawboose will be planning an event. Eke will be doing a vigil for Hiroshima Nagasaki Day individually.

Community Education Subcommittee

- Laura Gonzales reported that David Ling and Shawboose made a presentation of the Study of Micro-Aggressions to the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Council on July 20, 2016.

- Shawboose and Ling provided an update on their presentation to the Tribal Council. Their impression was that Tribal Council was pleased with the use of funds given for this project.
- Eke reported on her presentation of Micro-aggression to the Michigan Education Association (MEA), International Understanding Commission.
- Gonzales reported that there were no expenditures from the Micro-aggressions Study budget this month.

Disability Committee

- No report. The Committee did not meet. There was a discussion about downtown parking issues. Eke will go with Swift to meet with City about the parking issues identified.

Law Enforcement

- No report. Robert Newby resigned from HRC.

6. New Business

- Eke reported to the HRC about Newby's resignation. Eke shared her appreciation for his service to this committee.
- There was a discussion on next steps for the Law Enforcement sub-committee.
- Eke reported that the group Students Against Slavery has asked her to be their advisor.

7. Announcements

- Card for Newby will be available at the next meeting.
- Discussion on committee vacancies and the need to fill them.

8. Adjournment

Shawboose made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Poindexter seconded, meeting adjourned at 6:27 PM.