

Human Rights Advisory Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 4th, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Farrah Chaichi, Tag Khuri, Anna Petrov, Marilyn McDonald, Phil Nagel, Tom Steiwer, and Sheri Struk, City Staff Liaison Tsipora Dimant, and Police Lt. Tim Loman, Mayor's Youth Advisory Board liaison Cameron Monfared

Excused: Commissioner Dana Lopez, Commissioner Jake Rutschman, City Council Liaison Lacey Beaty

Visitors/Guests: Jolene from the Beaverton Social Justice League, Holly Thompson from the Mayor's Office, Kossikan Yawo

6:30 p.m. Call to Order and Roll Call/Introductions

6:31 p.m. Visitor Comments

- Mr. Yawo spoke – Introduced self. Curious about becoming a member of the board.
- Jolene – Resolution Follow-up.

6:36 p.m. Communications from City Staff Liaison to the Commission

- Tsipora reported on the budget.
- There are 19 applicants for the 5 open spots on the board (4 regular members and 1 alternate). Would like to have at least 2 additional interviewers. Farrah, Marilyn, and Sheri volunteered.
- Discussed the interview process and the need for standardization. Standing members need to reapply. Holly T. pointed out that the mayor appoints commission members, after the commission recommends and council confirms them.
- Holly also pointed out:
 - Beaverton #12 on the Top 100 Places to Live in the US
 - Food Composting begins on 10/30
 - There will be a Severe Weather Shelter Available this winter
 - The Library Resource Fair

6:45 p.m. Communications from Beaverton Police Department

- No updates

6:50 p.m. Communication from City Council Liaison to the Commission

- None

6:55 p.m. Approval of June meeting minutes

- Approved as amended for grammar

7:00 p.m. People of Color Matter Resolution

- Not much progress has been made on the revised resolution
- More HRAC involvement with the rewording was brought up. Marilyn, Tag, Farrah, and Cameron will assist, with Council Beaty and Cultural Inclusion Program Manager, Alexis Ball

7:15 p.m. Human Rights Award

- Tabled until November. One nomination so far

7:25 p.m. Anti-Human Trafficking

- Poster for getting help was presented by Anna
- Cameron brought up Youth Ending Slavery which is being piloted at BHS and hopefully spreading to the other high schools.
- Holly T. discussed poster design and languages selected.
- Phil N. and Tom S. will meet with the city about new poster design.

7:50 p.m. Reports from meetings/events attended

- Human Rights Council of Washington County

- Poster contest – We are all born Free and Equal is the theme.
- Listening session

- Diversity Advisory Board

- Graciously changed meeting date so as to not conflict with our event on the same evening.

-Youth Advisory Board

- New Advisor – Emily Van Vleet
- BHS has a community outreach that focuses on undocumented students and families. Open House at Merlo Station Apts. on 10/28 from 11 – 1.
- Statewide mock election – Youth Vote Oregon

8:00 p.m. Budget Discussion

- Tsipora will take over oversight of the Commission Budget

8:05 p.m. Committee reports

- CEC – None
- Cultural Conversation continued to be organized.
- Indigenous People's Day
 - See Handouts
 - Much discussion as to the type of food. Food trays vs. Food Truck Catering by Teepee's Fry Bread. The city's cultural inclusion program offered to contribute an additional \$125.00. A vote ensued with the majority voting for a full order from Teepee's.

-For the Good of the Order

- Jake R. has moved out of the city, so no longer qualifies as a commission member. Dana L. is resigning.
- In the interest of saving trees there will no longer be any printed Agendas or Minutes handed out at the meetings. Please bring your own.

8:25 p.m. Meeting adjourned