

HUMAN RIGHTS & RELATIONS

COMMISSION

MINUTES

March 14, 2013

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

Present: Chris Vega, Wanda Harris, Jim Jalowiec, Sue Fitzgerald,

Guest(s): Jamila Young, Jourdan Duncan, SCSU Journalism students

Chairman Vega introduced the 2 special guests from SCSU, explained what the HRRC is about and what we strive to do. Called for a moment of silence in remembrance of those lost in the Sandy Hook tragedy. (3 month anniversary)

Chairman Vega announced local event being held at HMS - Girls Circle, Theme: Friendship. They meet every Wednesday from 2:30pm-4:30pm in Room 123

Chairman Vega asked Commissioner Fitzgerald on the progress of our HRRC Brochure. Comm. Fitzgerald stated brochure is in need of some text and minor changes to complete the brochure and to pass on to Mayor Jackson for approval. Therefore, Chairman Vega asked all members to vote to suspend their current projects so we all can collaborate to complete brochure as a priority at this time. Comm. Jalowiec made the official motion on this matter, Vice Chairwoman Harris second the motion. All in favor and motion passed. All discussed what text should be included and all will make some rough drafts of text to piece together for the brochure.

Chairman Vega updated the commission of the progress of the welcome packet. Packet is at a minor standstill. Is currently grabbing ideas from communities such as Huntington, WV and how they have their packet put together. Chairman Vega has agreed to continue to work on this project in addition to the brochure.

Chairman Vega brought up an idea about a Multi-Ethnic parade to be held in the future to support and honor those residents of our community and to present themselves to the public with their traditional dress, taste, and dance for all to see. All commissioners supported the idea. Will discuss more after all current projects are complete.

Next meeting to be held April 11, 2013

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm

Submitted by,

Sallie Lowry, Clerk