

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

MINUTES

Thursday, November 20, 2008

Members:

Lee Bixson
Craig Blomberg
Arthur Clinton
Nico De Anda-Scaia
Justin Kudo
Najme Minhaj (Chair)
Ann Privateer
J Jesus Leyva (Alternate)

Ex Officio Members:

Saraf Nawar (Student)
John Pamperin (Faith-based)
Rahim Reed (UCD)
Lt. Tom Waltz (Police Dept)
Vacant (ASUCD)
Pamela Mari/Mel Lewis
(DJUSD)

Council Liaisons:

Stephen Souza
Lamar Heystek (Alternate)

Staff

Kelly Stachowicz, City

I. Roll Call and Approval of Agenda

Members Present: Bixson, Blomberg, Clinton, De Anda-Scaia, Kudi, Privateer, Leyva, Pamperin,

Members Absent: Minhaj

John Pamperin called the meeting to order at 6:35. Blomberg moved and Bixson seconded the approval of the agenda. Agenda was approved unanimously.

II. Approval of Minutes –

Privateer moved and Kudo seconded the approval of the October 23, 2008 minutes.

III. Public Comment –

Stachowicz shared written information she had received for the Commission related to the December 10 Universal Declaration of Human Rights 2008 event.

IV. Commissioner Communications and Announcements

New Commissioners introduced themselves to Commissioner Clinton.

V. Council Communications and Staff Announcements –

There were no Council or staff announcements

VI. Discussion/Action Items

- A. 2009 Commission Calendar – *Commission discussed several aspects of the 2009 calendar, including the following:*
- *Appointed Kudo and Leyva as a subcommittee for Cesar Chavez Day.*
 - *Request to find out about different groups putting on events*
 - *Compile a list of cultural groups in the city and on campus*
 - *Blomberg suggested the creation of a crisis plan. Clinton suggested that staff put together a binder with procedures, processes and basic history of the Commission, which could serve the same purpose. Commission consensus was for staff to create an annual history to share with the Commission.*

- B. "HRC" Slogan – *Blomberg moved and Bixson seconded a motion to include on Commission outreach materials the following phrase: We hear from you and are here for you: supporting a fair and just community.*

VII. Updates/Recaps

- A. Recap of Community Conversation – November 15, 2008
Stachowicz gave a summary of the November 15 event. Pamperin reported that there will be a follow-up report issued in January. Clinton replied that Davis was seen as a model throughout the state.
- B. Martin Luther King Jr Day January 19, 2009
The subcommittee reported about the planning for the January 19 celebration. Currently, they are looking at focusing on the 60s to today, having student dramatizations, and an essay contest. Commission also discussed possible montage and the use of Davis Media Access. Blomberg will look into the possibility of public service announcements through Davis Media Access. Clinton suggested a “montage of firsts.” Blomberg would also like something on daviswiki.
- C. UNAFF Traveling Film Festival – March 1, 2009
Subcommittee will work with staff on next steps, including previewing films.

VIII. Adjourn

The Commission adjourned at 8:30 pm.