

Huntington Beach Human Relations Task Force

April 1, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes

I. Roll Call: 6:45 pm

Present: Dagley, Johnson, Knowles, MacDonell, Malik

Absent: Dahman, Lee-Goodman, Tyler

Late: Garrick

Staff Liaison: Kuhnke

Police Liaison: Sgt. Winks

II. Welcoming Remarks by Chair Dagley

Chair Dagley welcomed all present.

III. Public Comments:

Marina High School students Zoe Boomgarden and Melissa Applebee provided an update regarding the "Be-YOU-tiful" conference they are planning. The conference is designed to promote recognition of inner beauty among teen girls. Melissa indicated that Golden West College will be providing one of the forum classrooms at no charge and that she was anticipating a \$500 grant from the Golden West College Foundation.

IV. Special Reports/Presentations: None

V. Approve Minutes:

**Motion to approve April 1, 2014, minutes as presented. Moved: Knowles; Seconded: Johnson
Yes: 5; No: 0; Absent 4 (Dahman, Garrick, Lee-Goodman, Tyler). Motion Approved.**

VI. Status Reports:

1. Hate Crimes/Incidents:

Sgt. Winks reported on a graffiti incident at Brethren Christian High School. The detectives that handle vandalism will be handling the case. Sgt. Winks also reported that Chief Handy and he are going to begin attending the quarterly meetings of the Anti-Defamation League in Los Angeles.

2. Coordinating Council (CC) News/Activities:

MacDonell was unable to attend the meeting. Garrick reported that the topic was emergency preparedness.

3. OC Human Relations News/Activities:

Malik distributed copies of the 12-13 OC Human Relations Annual Report. The Legacy Awards banquet is scheduled for May 8 at the Grove in Anaheim. Malik will email a list of the awardees.

4. HB Reads 2014 News/Activities:

Dagley reported that HB Reads had a highly successful event on March 20 with approximately 1,500 students in attendance to hear Dr. Terrence Roberts speak on "Lessons from Little Rock." The afternoon and evening sessions were also well attended. Topics for HB Reads 2015 are already under consideration.

5. HRTF Donation Account Balance:

Kuhnke reported the balance at \$2,651.87 and acknowledged a donation of \$300 from the Johnson family.

VII. Updates, Planning, and Possible Motions pertaining to the following events/programs:

1. Ad Hoc Fundraising Committee:

Knowles reported that \$500.00 was raised in support of the "Be-YOU-tiful" conference. Dagley also reported that Chief Handy had extended the offer of \$500.00 for a future Museum of Tolerance Trip from a special fund within the Police Department.

2. Report form AD Hoc Museum of Tolerance (MOT) Trip Committee:

In the absence of Lee-Goodman, Garrick reported that Westminster High School (WHS) was awarded a \$700.00 grant from Target for a MOT trip. WHS has scheduled their trip for May 28, 2014. Garrick also reported that Valley Vista High School was having difficulty scheduling a trip due to their school schedule and the schedule of the MOT. Garrick will seek assistance from Lee-Goodman in making special arrangements in order for the trip to take place. Garrick will also contact remaining high schools to see if any would be interested in taking a trip prior to the end of

the school calendar year.

3. HRTF Student Representative Programs

Garrick distributed a draft agenda for the March 27, 2014 meeting. Students will be supporting the Volunteer Expo on Saturday April 12 as well as the Day of Compassion on Saturday, April 26. Discussion focused on the Annual District-Wide Day of Dialogue scheduled for April 8 and the increased cost of providing food as a result of changes in the Library's catering requirements. A motion was made to increase the available funding for the food.

Motion: "To spend up to \$450.00 for food for the Annual District-wide Day of Dialogue

Moved: Knowles; Seconded: MacDonell

Yes: 6; No: 0; Absent 6 (Dahman, Lee-Goodman, Tyler). Motion Approved.

4. Report from Charter on Compassion Committee

Due to the absence of Lee-Goodman, Garrick reported that the focus of the committee is currently on the Day of Compassion Service on April 26, 2014. The next meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2014.

VIII. New Business and Possible motions pertaining to:

1. Follow-up research and possible program to identify school response to new anti-bullying laws

MacDonell reported that she is still pursuing the first annual reports from the school districts.

2. Follow up on program to purchase diversity books for school libraries on different ethnicities

In the absence of Tyler, Dagley reported that Tyler purchased the books for the Huntington Beach School District libraries.

3. Update regarding Golden West College (GWC) Peace Conference and HRTF Participation

The GWC Peace Conference is scheduled for April 18. The HRTF will have a table of HRTF information.

IX. Task Force Member Comments:

Johnson: Reported that she is donating a poster and banner for the HRTF.

Kuhnke: Reported that a proclamation will be presented to Ron Lowenberg and Fran Faraz at the April 7 City Council meeting regarding the GWC Peace Conference.

Garrick: Reported on a number of upcoming programs.

Dagley: Reported that he attended the meeting about homelessness. He participated on the committee regarding food and water. An additional finding of the committee was that there isn't a listing of resources for the community.

Adjournment at 8:45 pm to: May 6, 2014, Huntington Central Library, B Room at 6:45 p.