

Huntington Beach Human Relations Task Force

December 2, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes

I. **Roll Call: 6:45 pm**

Present: Dagley, Garrick, Tyler, Lee-Goodman, MacDonell

Absent: Knowles, Johnson, Malik, Dahman

Staff Liaison: Kuhnke

Police Liaison: Sgt. Winks

II. **Welcoming Remarks/Announcements by Chair Dagley**

Chair Dagley welcomed all present. Chair Dagley announced that the group studying the homeless issue in Huntington Beach, headed by Ralph Bauer, will meet on December 10th at 6:30 pm at the library. Everyone is invited.

III. **Public Comments:** None

IV. **Special Reports/Presentations:** None

V. **Approve Minutes: November 4, 2014 minutes. Moved: MacDonell; Seconded: Lee-Goodman
Yes: (5) No: (0); Absent 4 (Knowles, Malik, Johnson, Dahman. Motion carried.**

VI. **Status Reports:**

1. Hate Crimes/Incidents:

Sgt. Winks reported no new hate crimes in HB in November. The follow up of the landlord/ Asian tenant situation reported on last month was that it was not accepted by the DA. The police have spoken with the landlord and hope to avoid future incidents.

2. Coordinating Council (CC) News/Activities:

MacDonell reported that the Liberty Christian Bell Choir performed. HBCC web site posts holiday events for CC members.

3 OC Human Relations News/ Activities

Malik was absent, so no official report was available. Garrick reported on the OCHR sponsored "Walk in My Shoes" conference held on November 14th. It was well attended and enthusiastically participated in. The annual Bridges Youth Conference honored the 50 year anniversary of the civil rights movement. Students from Huntington Beach, Marina, Westminster and Fountain Valley High Schools attended the event.

4 HB Reads 2014 News/ Activities

Dagley reported a planning meeting will be held tomorrow to plan events and fund raising for the upcoming HB Reads.

5. HRTF Donation Account Balance:

Kuhnke reported the balance at \$1,872.87.

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

1. Report form Ad Hoc Museum of Tolerance (MOT) Committee:

Lee-Goodman will contact Valley Vista HS to encourage the teachers to have the students attend MOT. Further discussion of how to get schools interested in attending MOT will continue at the January meeting.

Lee-Goodman will develop a presentation for teachers and administrators to increase interest in MOT trips.

2. Student Representative Programs

A strategy meeting for working with the students was attended by Garrick, MacDonell, and Malik. The following goals were suggested for the student group: 1. The opportunity to network with other schools in the district; 2. Continue and Expand the "Day of Dialogue"; 3. Provide mentoring and leadership development; 4. Continuing support of Bridges and expanding it to the non participating schools.

There was also a suggestion that a monthly meeting may not be necessary. MacDonell recommended that the TF continue to discuss the goals and objectives of the student representative program at the next meeting.

Garrick reported that a student meeting was held on November 20th. Some of the topics discussed were: promoting the Bridges program; discussion of the "Walk in My Shoes" conference; the Battle of the Bands, which may be held on Feb. 28th at HB Pier Plaza. This is a HB Youth Board activity and Dagley suggested having Malik and Don Han from the OC Human Relations possibly provide human relations activities at the event. Dagley suggested having Joe Carchio attend a HRTF meeting to learn more about the program.

3. Follow-up research to identify school response to new anti-bullying laws

MacDonell reported that Dr. Marc Ecker from the Fountain Valley School District would not be available to attend a meeting to discuss the district's response to the new anti-bullying laws due to his retirement, but suggested that his assistant could possibly attend a future meeting. MacDonell will follow-up on this suggestion.

VIII. New Business and Possible motions pertaining to: None.

IX. Task Force Member Comments:

Kuhnke will report on who the new council liaisons will be at next month's meeting.

Garrick reported that Joe Shaw thanked Dagley and Garrick, at his last council meeting, for their work on HRTF. He also reminded us about JustServe.org both to report available volunteer opportunities, as well as accessing them.

Adjournment at 8:25 pm to January 6, 2015 Huntington Central Library, B Room at 6:45 pm