

**Human Relations Task Force  
Huntington Beach Central Library – B Room  
Tuesday, June 1, 2010  
Minutes**

- I. **Roll Call:** 6:50PM  
**Present:** Chancellor, Dagley, Garrick, Inouye, Nees, Rodriguez  
**Late:** Jackle  
**Staff Liaison:** Kuhnke  
**Absent:** Goldenberg, Sgt. Smith

II. **Welcoming Remarks by Ken Inouye, Chair**

Inouye welcomed TF members and the members of the public. Inouye advised the TF of the plan to review the findings from the city attorney regarding the HBReads One Book program and the TF would be voting on a motion to determine how the TF wants to proceed with the HB Reads committee.

III. **Public Comments: (Three minutes per speaker)**

No public comments from the audience consisting of former TF member and HB Reads chairperson Fred Provencher, HB Reads committee member Leroy Lucien and Huntington Beach Public Library Services Director Stephanie Beverage

- IV. **Motion to Approve Minutes:** May 4, 2010 Inouye  
**Moved, Chancellor, second Rodriguez – to accept May 4, 2010 minutes**  
**Approved 6, No 0 absent 2 (Goldenberg, Jackle)**

- V. **New Business - Discussion and possible motion pertaining to** Inouye  
**HB Reads Committee**

Kuhnke presented the findings pertaining to HB Reads and a recommendation to transition the committee as an independent, volunteer committee under the auspices of the Huntington Beach Library Services Department.

Nees asked if the library was supportive of moving the HB Reads committee under the Library Services Department. Library Services Director Beverage indicated the library was supportive of the proposed move and was willing to work with the committee; however, she indicated the library has limited funds and manpower and the expectation is the committee will do the bulk of the work required. Chancellor advised the program has been successful for 3 years and would like to see the program grow and supports the independent committee direction. Dagley indicated the committee is dedicated to seeing HBReads grow and supports the move to an independent committee. Garrick asked HB Reads chairperson Provencher how the committee wants to proceed. Provencher indicated the committee supports the move to independence. Mrs. Beverage indicated the library can work with the committee to assist in the transition if the motion is approved.

Nees questioned if the committee would focus on diversity going forward as a separate committee. Provencher indicated the focus of diversity would remain and that focus of diversity separates the HBReads program from other community reading programs.

**Motion:**

- 1) **To approve the transition of the HB Reads Committee to serve as an independent, volunteer committee under the auspices of the Library Service Department.**  
**Moved Jackle, second, Nees; Approved 7, No 0, absent 1 (Goldenberg)**
- 2) **Continue to support the mission of HB Reads by assigning at least one member of the Task Force to attend all committee meetings and be a voting member of the HB Reads committee.**  
**Moved Jackle, second, Rodriguez; Approved, No 0 absent 1 (Goldenberg)**

Rodriguez will be the voting member representing the TF and Jackle will be the alternate.

**I. Status Reports:**

1. Report of HRTF and HB Reads donation account balances

Kuhnke

Kuhnke reported balances as follows:

\$1973.80 Task Force Misc. Account

\$5312.25 HBReads Account

\$7286.05 Total

2. Report of Hate Crimes/Incidents in May 2010

Sgt. Smith

Sgt Smith was absent and no report was given.

3. Report of Orange County Human Relations (OCHR) News/Activities

Inouye

Inouye asked the TF to support sending a letter to County Supervisor Moorlach asking for his continued support of the Orange County Human Relations Commission when considering the budget funding for the coming year. The letter will be drafted by Inouye.

Nees asked what portion of the OCHRC budget gets funded to HBHRTF and the exact number was not available however Chancellor advised it is a small amount. Nees questioned the need for the HBHRTF to get involved in recommending which county expenditures should be cut and which should be supported. Dagley suggested that the amount isn't the issue as the HBHRTF should support the county efforts to promote human relations. Inouye advised the letter is yet to be drafted. Nees questioned the verbiage to be used in the letter. City Liaison Kuhnke advised the letter can be forwarded to TF members.

***Motion to approve the HBHRTF to submit a letter to County Supervisor Moorlach asking for continued funding of OCHRC.***

***Moved, Inouye; Second, Dagley; Approved 6, No 1 (Nees), Absent, (Goldenberg)***

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

1. Report of HRTF Student Representative Programs

Chancellor

Chancellor distributed an Education Committee Report outlining recent activities and upcoming events. The report indicated the recent efforts working with Zayda Garcia, Executive Director of El Viento. Chancellor indicated the committee has extended an invitation to Mrs. Garcia to attend a TF meeting. Chancellor reviewed the recent Campaign Against Hate and Violence at HBHS. Chancellor indicated work will continue to be done with the HBHS summer principal to discuss the Outreach strategy to be used at HBHS and Dwyer. The Education Committee, working with school administrators may implement an Outreach strategy at other schools including Edison HS and Sowers Middle School. As the school year ends the Education committee will follow-up with Westminster HS, Ocean View HS, Valley Vista HS and Marina HS. Inouye thanked Education committee members Chancellor and Garrick for their efforts and for their success. Chancellor invited all TF members to attend future meetings to become involved.

2. Report of HB Reads book selection activities for the month of May

Rodriguez/Dagley

The book selection process is moving forward with the next meeting scheduled for June 4, 2010 at 5:00PM at the HB library. The book selection has been narrowed to 5 books and the target is to have a book selected by the end of June.

3. Report of activities/outreach in the Latino community

Inouye

The Parent Leadership Initiative PLI will be holding a beach party in June and the TF members are invited to attend the event.

**VIII. Task Force Member Comments:**

Rodriguez expressed her thanks for the opportunity to attend the OCHRC awards dinner and banquet. She felt the event was very well received by all attendees. Garrick expressed satisfaction in seeing the education programs being supported and advised there are opportunities for TF members to get involved. Chancellor thanked the new TF members for their support since joining the TF in January 2010.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30.