

Huntington Beach Human Relations Task Force

June 1, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

I. Roll Call: 6:45 pm

Present: Gale-Nelson, Garrick, MacDonell, Tyler, McKinnon,

Absent: Dahman, Lee-Goodman, Malik

Staff Liaison: Kuhnke

Police Liaison: Sgt. Garrido

II. Welcoming Remarks by Chair MacDonell

Chair MacDonell welcomed everyone present. She also announced that Lowell-Monfort resigned on June 1st, 2016 due to her relocation to Los Angeles.

III Public Comments:

Joe Dagley, Vice President of HB Reads and Former HRTF Chair addressed the members regarding Agenda Item VIII.2 - request for assistance to work in their fireworks booth as a fundraiser over the 4th of July weekend. Dagley reported that HB Reads was one the winners in the lottery drawing held by the City for non-profits operating fireworks booths. He further reported that depending on HRTF participation and the amount of sales proceeds, that HB Reads would donate a portion to the HRTF. Volunteers must be over the age of 18 to sell fireworks, and could include family and friends.

IV. Special Reports/Presentations: None

V. Approve Minutes:

Motion to approve May 3, 2016 minutes.

Moved: Tyler, Seconded: Gale-Nelson. Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 3 (Dahman, Lee Goodman, Malik);

Motion passed.

VI. Status/informational Reports:

1. Hate Crimes/Incidents

Sgt. Garrido reported that there was one hate crime in May involving the painting of swastikas at Brethren Christian High School. Upon investigation, the Police Department suspects that the crime was committed by juveniles using left over paint from painting the soccer fields.

2. Coordinating Council (CC) News/Activities

Tyler reported that the Community United Methodist church has an active parenting support group for transgender children. She also reported that the next meeting would not be held until October.

3. OC Human Relations News/ Activities

No report due to absence of Malik.

4. HRTF Donation Account Balance

Kuhnke reported the balance at \$1,814.12.

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

1. HRTF student representative program

No report due to absence of Dahman.

2. Ethnic Cookbook planning and activities

Chair MacDonell reported that she would contact Lowell-Monfort for the materials prepared to date. She and Tyler agreed to continue to work on the program.

3. Diversity Calendar planning activities

No report due to the absence of Lee-Goodman.

4. Diversity Leader/Community Leadership Award planning and activities.

No report due to the absence of Malik.

VIII. New business and possible motions pertaining to:

1. School Library Children's Book Program

It was agreed that the program would be scheduled to coincide with the 16-17 school calendar year. Tyler has been in contact with the school librarians as well as Barnes & Noble and will plan to activate the program at the start of the new school year.

2. Request from HB Reads for assistance to work in their fireworks booth as a fundraiser on July 4, 2016.

Discussion was had about the possibility of receiving additional donations for future HRTF programs by agreeing to participate. It was also discussed that those agreeing to volunteer should give firm commitments as Dagley needed to fill spots. It was agreed that everyone should review their schedules and sign up for specific slots by the end of the week. Kuhnke will then notify Dagley of those agreeing to participate. A motion was made and approved as noted below.

***Motion to assist HB Reads in the operation of their fireworks booth between July 1 – 4, 2016.
Moved: Gale-Nelson, Seconded: Tyler. Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 3 (Dahman, Lee Goodman, Malik);
Motion passed.***

IX. Task Force Member Announcements/Comments

Kuhnke announced that she would be posting the notice of the new vacancy.

Gale-Nelson expressed interest in representing the HRTF at other community groups. It was suggested that there may be an opening on the City of Compassion committee.

Adjournment at 7:35 pm to July 5, 2016. Huntington Central Library, B Room at 6:45 p.