

**Huntington Beach Human Relations Task Force**  
**Huntington Beach Central Library - B Room**  
**November 3, 2009**  
**Minutes**

- I. Roll Call:** Black, Breverman, Chancellor, Goldenberg, Inouye, Jackle, Urashima  
Absent: Provencher  
Staff Liaison: Elaine Kuhnke  
HBPD: Sgt. Aaron Scott
- II. Welcoming Remarks**  
Vice Chair Urashima called the meeting to order approx. 6:50 p.m.
- III. Public Comments**  
Don Garrick, member of the Interfaith Council, distributed flyers on the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Religious Diversity Forum, taking place at the University of California, Irvine. He is looking for an opportunity to be of assistance and service to the task force.
- IV. Approval of Minutes**  
**Moved: Jackle; Second: Breverman – To accept October 6, 2009 minutes.**  
**Approved: 4; No: 0; Absent: 1 (Provencher); Abstain: 3 (Black, Chancellor, Urashima)**
- V. Status Reports:**
- 1. Report of HRTF Account Balances**  
Elaine Kuhnke reported the following balances in task force accounts:  
\$5,035.92 – HB Reads  
\$1,938.80 – Misc.  
\$6,974.72 – Total
- 2. Report of August Hate Crimes/Incidents**  
Sgt. Smith reported no hate crimes for October. He also provided an update on the July 3<sup>rd</sup> hate crime. The four suspects, one female and three male members of PEN1, pled guilty to the hate crime. Three of the four suspects may be sentenced to up to 10 years; one suspect may be sentenced to 12-15 years, as this is his second hate crime offense.
- 3. Report of Orange County Human Relations (OCHR) News/Activities**  
Inouye reported he and a colleague provided an annual report on OCHR Commission to the Huntington Beach City Council at the November 2<sup>nd</sup> City Council meeting. Inouye also reported that the hate crime conference was well attended by police officers and community members. Task force members were also invited to the annual OCHRC wassail in December. Details will be forthcoming.
- VI. Updates, Planning and Possible Motions pertaining to the following events/programs:**
- 1. Report of HRTF Student Representative Programs -**  
Chancellor reported that he is trying to build a coalition among all high schools in the district. He met with Kathleen Lommen, Director of Pupil Personnel Services at the district office, and that Ms. Lommen was supportive of meeting quarterly to coordinate programs between schools. The quarterly meetings would include Ms. Lommen, representatives from each of the high schools, and representatives from the HBHRTF. Chancellor and former mayor Ralph Bauer have been meeting with Ocean View High School regarding the Parent Leadership Institute. The

remainder of funds from the city for HRTF programs in 2008-09 were provided to Huntington Beach High School to cover the stipend for the PLI coordinator at HBHS.

## **2. Report of HB Reads Committee**

Jackle reported that a special meeting was being called for the committee on November 4 to finalize the various events, including a film series. Urashima also directed members to visit the website or new information and updates. The next book fair fundraiser at the Bella Terra Barnes & Noble is scheduled for November 29 through December 5. Paul Tayyar, one of the HB Reads bloggers and a faculty member at Golden West College, will be reading from his book at Barnes & Noble on December 5 at 7pm.

## **VII. New Business**

### **1. Current Vacancies and Member Term Expirations Update**

The city has received 11 applications for the task force vacancies. There will be five vacancies when the year ends, with two current members eligible to renew for another term (Breverman, Urashima). Urashima indicated she will not seek to renew her term. Black and Provencher will have reached their term limits. The remaining slot is due to Bloom's resignation in September.

### **2. Report of Nominating Committee for Chair, Vice Chair, & Secretary**

Jackle indicated that Inouye would make the report. Inouye reported that he would agree to serve as Chair and Chancellor had agreed to serve as Vice Chair. Inouye also stipulated that he would need Jackle to serve on the HB Reads Committee and attend meetings. Jackle agreed. Inouye also stated that he would like to pursue additional Parent Leadership programs as part of his final two years on the task force. The Secretary position has yet to be filled.

**Moved: Jackle, Second: Urashima – To elect Ken Inouye as Chair and Alan Chancellor as Vice Chair, effective January 1, 2010.**

***Approved: 7, No: 0; Absent: 1 (Provencher)***

## **VIII. Task Force Member Comments**

Black announced that the University of California, Irvine was hosting its annual Rainbow Festival & Conference during the first week of November and the annual Religious Diversity Forum on November 7.

Jackle announced that the AAUW will be sponsoring a camp at UC Irvine focusing on preparing girls for the STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) fields. Also, any member of the task force is welcome to attend and network at the Coordinating Council luncheons.

Breverman offered to distribute flyers for individual HB Reads events.

Urashima announced that Bernard Lafayette will be a speaker at next year's Golden West Peace Conference.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.**