

**Huntington Beach Human Relations Task Force
Civic Center, Lower Level, Room B-8
November 8, 2008
Minutes**

I. Roll Call: Black, Bloom, Breverman, Chancellor, Goldenberg, Inouye, Provencher,
Excused Absence: Urashima
Late: Jackle
Staff Liaison: Elaine Kuhnke
HBPD: Sgt. Smith
OCHRC: Don Han

II. Welcoming Remarks: Provencher described his attendance at Ahimsa Conference at Cal Poly Pomona, which focused on non-violence.

III. Public Comment: None

IV. Approval of Minutes: October 7, 2008
Moved: Inouye; Second: Black: To accept October 2008 minutes.
Approved: 7, No: 0; Absent: 2 (Urashima, Jackle)

V. Special Presentations: None

VI. Status Reports:

1. Report of HRTF Account Balance and Master Calendar Review:

Misc. Task Force Balance	\$2,378.80
HB Reads	<u>\$3,010.09</u>
Total	\$5,388.89

2. Report of September 2008 Hate Crimes/Incidents

No crimes or incidents in October. Sgt. Smith reported on his attendance at the OCHR Hate Crimes Conference.

3. Report of Orange County Human Relations News/ Activities

Inouye reported on the OCHRC Hate Crimes Conference which featured significant presentation on bullying. OCHRC representatives are in the process of making their annual visits to the city governments of Orange County.

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

1. Report of HRTF Student Representative Programs –

Chancellor reported that student representatives are continuing work on programs for the school year, including Student Dialogues, International Festival, Parent Leadership Institute and Museum of Tolerance visits. Chancellor discussed Model High School and Diversity Program history and city funded student budgets for fiscal years 06-07, 07-08 and 08-09.

Motion to approve \$18,000 to support Model School and Parent Leadership Institute programs.
Moved: Black; Second: Jackle. Approved: 8; No: 0; Absent: 1 (Urashima); Abstain (Inouye)

An Ad Hoc Committee to review the proposed FY 08-09 Human Relations city budget for students and make recommendations was established. Jackle, Black, Inouye and Chancellor volunteered for this committee.

2. Report of OC Human Relations Parent Leadership Training.

Han presented detailed Education Committee and Bridges report. The first training program for the Parent Leadership Institute is set for November 5, 2008. His report discussed the International Week held at HB High School and Han informed us that students will participate in Walk-In-My-Shoes program at the University of California, Irvine on November 14, 2008.

3. Federal Diversity Months

Black distributed a list of diversity months for the upcoming year. Research will continue on the formal wording used to describe the diversity months. This list will be submitted for the Channel 3 public information scroll.

Additional discussion was held regarding interest and commitment to hosting refreshments for the December Council meeting as had been done in previous years to honor cultural diversity. Breverman suggested using a community college to cater the event through their culinary schools due to the larger number of people expected in this election year. Bloom volunteered to follow-up on the suggestion and investigate the cost for providing culturally diverse appetizer dishes within a suggested \$300 budget. Should the approved budget not be sufficient to cover the costs, participation in the event would be canceled.

Motion to approve hosting the Council refreshments for the December 3, 2008, Council meeting and appropriate \$300 from the donation account.

Moved: Chancellor; Second: Bloom. Approved: 8; No:

4. Making Victims Whole Program No report

5. Planning for 2009 HB Reads One Book Event

Provencher distributed a written update on the HB Reads event. A book fair is set for November 28-December 6, 2008, at Barnes & Noble at Bella Terra. This is a fundraiser for the HB Reads One Book event.

VIII. New Business:

Discussion was held pertaining to sending a member of the school district to the upcoming "Cyberbullying – Understanding & Addressing Trickery, Trolling and Threats" sponsored by the Orange County Department of Education and Anti-Defamation League. No motion was made to support funding attendance at this event.

IX. Task Force Member Comments – Not Agendized

Kuhnke reported that Mayor Cook announced November as American Indian Month at the November 3, 2008 City Council meeting.

Han reported that 600 participants have signed up for the Walk-in-My-Shoes program.

Adjournment to December 2, 2008. City Hall, Lower Level, B-8.
Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.