

CITY OF YORK HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

28 East Market Street
York, PA 17401

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

April 18, 2016

Call to order:

Commissioner Rollins-Fitch calls the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call:

In attendance- Commissioners: Rollins-Fitch, Rhodes, Woerthwein, Chronister, Buckingham, Ritter-Dickson. Quorum met.

Staff present- Ramirez. T. Thompson-Morgan is excused.

Not in attendance- Commissioners Rivera and Sexton (excused).

Public Comment:

MaraKay Rogers, Solicitor for CYHRC.

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Woerthwein motions to approve the March 21, 2016 minutes, Commissioner Ritter-Dickson seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carries.

Commissioner Chronister motions to approve the April 7, 2016 working group minutes. Commissioner Ritter-Dickson seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carries.

Report of Chair:

Commissioner Rollins-Fitch met with staff and discussed the outreach plans for the year and requested an anticipated leave calendar for May through August. The dates will be forwarded once received.

Report of Secretary/Treasurer:

Commissioner Woerthwein reviews the cumulative budget report, no new encumbrances.

Report of Standing Committees:

- a. Budget and Finance- A year-end report was submitted. The report included a brief summary of the monthly budget reviews, remaining HUD funds, and the 2016 approved budget for CYHRC.
- b. Personnel Committee- No report.
- c. Planning and Community Relations- A Year-end report was submitted. The report included a brief summary of the Equal Housing forum and the Diversity Luncheon.

Commissioner Rhodes and Ms. Thompson-Morgan met with Shilvosky Buffalo, Economic Development Director, to discuss the Real Estate Investor Series, to be held in September. The cost will be a non-refundable \$100 per person, funds to go directly to CYHRC.

- d. Nomination and Leadership Development- No report. Additional Commissioners are needed for a full complement; please forward candidate information to Commissioner Chronister for review.
- e. Social Media Committee- No report.

Communications:

The agenda packet is reviewed, along with the case docket report, case analysis report and non-jurisdictional report.

Commissioner Rollins-Fitch requests a 12-month graph for county inquires to get a better understanding what the county is looking for when making the inquiring regarding the HRC. This information will be useful for the future if the possibility of expanding to a Countywide HRC presents itself.

Race against Racism is scheduled for April 30, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Rhodes makes a motion to sponsor youth in the race for the amount of \$150. Commissioner Woerthwein seconds the motion. All in favor. Motion carries.

Unfinished Business:

Each committee will develop their own timeline and submit an update at the May meeting.

New Business:

The following items were brought forth by the Education and Outreach Committee:

Commissioner Buckingham motions to invite art students from William Penn to submit ideas for a new logo offering a prize of \$50; Commissioners will choose from entries at the May meeting. Commissioner Chronister seconds the motion. All in favor. Motion carries.

Commissioner Ritter-Dickson motions to approve the contact Rabbit Transit and Lamar Advertising so that we can have the logo or information on the buses or billboards. Commissioner Buckingham seconds the motion. All in favor. Motion carries.

Commissioner Buckingham motions that we create a flyer using the new logo and publicizing the availability of the Commission to address discrimination in Employment, Housing, and Public Accommodation; there will be an English and Spanish version. Commissioners will assist staff in distributing the flyers to areas requiring transportation. Commissioner Chronister seconds the motion. All in favor. Motion carries.

Commissioner Buckingham shares her opinion about having a feature in the newspaper on the HRC Ordinance addition of Gender Identity and how important it is to bring it up in the community. All are in agreement and it is decided to move forward with contacting the media.

Commissioner Rhodes suggests the motions Commissioner be enacted. He nominates Commissioner Chronister to be the motions Commissioner for the CYHRC. Commissioner Buckingham seconds the motion. All in favor. Motion carries.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Woerthwein, seconded by Commissioner Buckingham. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by J.R.