

Human Relations Task Force (HRTF)

March 5, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

A. Welcoming Remarks/Announcements by Chair Dahman

B. Roll Call: 6:45 PM

Present: Dahman, Moser, Lee-Goodman, Rhone, MacDonell

Excused: Gale-Nelson, Tyler

Staff Liaisons: Ono, Seitz

C. Public Comments:

Jodi Kohanek from HBReads announced their event on 3/28/19 from 4pm – 6pm and admission is free. The event has HB School District-wide participation. The featured book is Double Luck: Memoirs of a Chinese Orphan by Lu Chi Fa with Becky White. There will be a book signing and Q&A period with the author from 7pm to 9pm. \$35 tickets available at the door. Extra Books may be available for Task Force members.

D. Special Reports/Presentations:

None.

E. Approve Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from 2/05/19 meeting.

Moved MacDonell; Seconded: Moser; Yes: 5, No: 0, Abstain: 0, Tyler and Gale-Nelson absent

F. Status/Informational Reports

1. Hate Crimes/Incidents from February, 2019, as well as updates on prior crimes/incidents

- No new crimes reported by Capt. Seitz.

2. Coordinating Council News/Activities

- None.

3. HRTF Donation Balance

- Capt. Seitz reported the balance is \$5,691.54.
- Accounts Payable Demand Forms are online. Seitz will send the board members an email with the link.

G. Administrative Items:

- HB Listens Update.
- Branding created and invitations sent for the event. Task force members participating: Moser, Tyler and Lee-Goodman.
- Budget for facilitator training of \$50 or less.
Move to motion to give \$50 or less for HB Listens facilitator training
Moved: MacDonell Second: Lee-Goodman Yes: 5, No: 0, Abstain: 0, Tyler and Gale-Nelson absent.
- Budget of \$30 for marketing - \$29.99 poster from at Costco.
Motion to give \$30 for marketing the event:
Motion: Lee-Goodman second: MacDonell Yes: 5, No: 0, Abstain: 0, Tyler and Gale-Nelson absent.
- National Week of Conversation is April 5. Suggestions of Sunday, 4/7/19, or Thursday, 4/11/19, for First HB Listens to take place in the library
- OCHRC willing to host a page on their website with the date and times
- National Conversation Project website for resources.

- Black History Month event results
 - Kids art event was a success
 - Rhone will forward the photos from the event to be included on HB City social media outlets and City Manager report
- Day of Dialogue
 - Preparations and school participation have been confirmed
 - Moser was asked by Tyler to give opening comments
- Community Diversity Leadership
 - Forms are publicized and online
 - 3/25/19 deadline
- HB Reads – See public comments
- Tools For Tolerance – No updates
- Windows and Mirrors – Book distribution on 5/21/19. Ralph Bauer contributed \$200 to help offset additional costs.
 - Checks for donations should be made payable to the “City of Huntington Beach” with HRTF on memo line.
 - Moser will also send out language for social media posting for HRTF members to put out on personal social media pages.
 - B&N Book Fair for fundraising is Wednesday, 3/27/19 from 500pm to 900pm
 - Finalize contract
 - Flyers to follow immediately
- Courage to Remember event at HBHS
 - There will be an art contest in conjunction with the Courage to Remember Event. It will focus on Youth Voices HB
 - Beth Lammers, a teacher at HBHS, recommended printing B&W flyers and distributing to schools. The contest is open to all school district.
 - 3/28/19 deadline for submission
 - \$200 donation from HRTF/ Dahman is soliciting for donations
 - Courage to Remember on 4/23/19 is the opening event. Additional day to attend is 4/27/19 from 900am to 100pm. Courage to Remember is open to the public.
- HRTF Board Vacancy applicant interview/selection
 - Council liaison and HRTF Chair have selected two applicants. Will present to City Council for approval
- HRTF Board professional development discussion
 - Lee-Goodman will provide an outline of what desired training topics. Suggestions included:
 - Victimology of Hate Crimes
 - Extremism in HB – Brett Steele (McCain Institute)
 - Conversation with Captain Seitz about an HBPD ride along
 - Members will email Lee-Goodman with suggestion
- Discussion of new/existing board member instructions regarding the Brown Act
 - Moved to next month with new members
- Art Contest for new HRTF logo for brochure and materials
 - MacDonell and Rhone will work together

- Discussion of police/county liaison to address the HRTF
- HRTF board position nominations
 - Gale-Nelson was absent
 - Captain Seitz noted that the Task Force had the option, according to Section 5, of postponing election of officers.
 - Motion to postpone elections for one month
Motion: MacDonell second: Moser Yes: 5, No: 0, Abstain: 0, Tyler and Gale-Nelson absent.
 - Brief bios to be provided, if needed.

H. Staff comments/Distribution of information or materials

- None

I. Task Force Member Announcements

- Rhone asked about how to advertise HRTF events
- MacDonell requested a calendar for HRTF board with dates for events
- Lee-Goodman: San Francisco newspaper printed an article about Huntington Beach
- Moser: Swastika incident in Newport prompted a townhall meeting at Corona Del Mar High School, hosted by the Interfaith AME Church, Irvine. OC Interfaith network and OCCHR involved. There is a Hate Crime Network Meeting, 3/26/19, at 900am. Holocaust Survivor Event. The Greater HB Interfaith council prayer breakfast is on 5/2/19. National Day of Prayer "Have a Heart" forum took place on 2/21/19

J. Items for Future Consideration

- Moser: Calendar of events
- HB Listens – discuss as umbrella program, instead of discussion/listening
 Motion to put onto the May agenda to make HB Listens an umbrella program. ***Motion: Moser second: Rhone Yes: 5, No: 0, Abstain: 0, Tyler and Gale-Nelson absent.***
- Screening of Documenting Hate documentary with follow up

Adjournment

**Adjourned at 8:30 pm to Tuesday, April 2, 2019.
 Huntington Beach Central Library, Room B, at 6:45 pm**