

Human Relations Task Force (HRTF)

May 7, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

A. Welcoming Remarks/Announcements by Chair Moser

There is not a quorum for this meeting. Meeting to be held but no votes will be taken on any items.

B. Roll Call: 6:47 PM

Present: Dahman, Moser, Tyler

Excused: Lee-Goodman, MacDonell, Rhone

Staff Liaisons: Martin, Ono, Seitz

C. Public Comments:

Huntington Beach resident – Linda (no last name). Addressed the board members for her three minutes. Rob Ewing attended this meeting as a guest.

D. Special Reports/Presentations:

Officer Jon Deliema of the Huntington Beach Police Department presented to the HRTF board with information about his current assignment with the Orange County Intelligence Assessment Center (OCIAAC).

E. Approve Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from 4/2/19 meeting will be moved to 6/4/19.

F. Status/Informational Reports

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

- No current activity.

2. Coordinating Council News/Activities - Tyler

- Debbie Killey from Republic Services led a meeting explaining the different methods of handling waste/trash.
- HB Duck-a-Thon will be held 6/1/19.

3. HRTF Donation Balance - Seitz

- Current balance is \$5051.54 per Seitz. Natalie has a check for the HRTF from Ralph Bauer for \$200.

G. Administrative Items:

- Latin Heritage month in September and Native American month in November - Rhone.
 - Rhone unable to attend meeting tonight. Details next month.
- Student Day of Dialogue - Tyler
 - Tyler will coordinate this event again in 2020.
- Community Diversity Leadership - Moser
 - Moser to follow up with Julie Toledo from City of HB to schedule the presentation of the Youth Award at an upcoming city council meeting.
- HB Reads – Tyler
 - HB Reads selected to operate a 4th of July fireworks booth. Will require volunteers from the HRTF to help staff the stand. Location will be in the Ralphs parking lot, on Warner, between Bolsa Chica and Graham.
- Tools For Tolerance Professional Development at Museum of Tolerance – Lee-Goodman
 - Lee-Goodman unable to attending meeting tonight. Details next month.
- Windows & Mirrors – Moser
 - The book fair raised \$466 for the HRTF. Barnes & Noble will provide the HRTF with a gift card for this amount to be used toward the purchase of books for the program. Moser will

provide the ad hoc committee with a book list from Barnes & Noble. Tentative delivery date of the selected books was planned for 5/21/19, but after some discussion, the delivery will likely be moved to the fall in order to provide a greater impact at the beginning of the school year. Tyler discussed possible support from the Assistance League to help purchase books in the future.

- **HB Listens – Moser**
 - Held inaugural dialogue and conversation event 4/7/19 at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection. Those in attendance included the HB Interfaith Council, Ralph Bauer and others. Moser was contacted by a local church to consider facilitating a meeting like this at their location. Moser met with Brenden and Hardy and discussed HB Listens outcome/feedback. In discussion with OC Human Relations to consider providing monthly HB Listens forums for the public.
- **Youth Voices Essay and Art Contest – Moser**
 - Judging took place and five winners were identified: two for narrative, two for art contest and one for the opinion piece. FVHS selected some of the submissions and created a newspaper that was distributed to readers. Moser will provide invoices for the work done. Janet Ewell paid out of pocket for the paper to be printed.
 - The total amount of donations written to and received by OC Human Relations (as a pass through agency) was \$1050. An additional \$200 donation check to the City of HB (Memo: HB HRTF) was received and will be provided during the June meeting, from Ralph Bauer. These funds may be applied to the HB HRTF general fund or used for the contest. The approved contribution from the HB HRTF of \$200 will be used towards the \$500 in cash awards for the five first place winners. Moser will provide cost/expense breakdown.
 - Event details: May 30, 2019, 6:00pm to 8:00pm, will be the reception and awarding of the winners for the Youth Voices Essay and Art Contest. Ad hoc committee (Angie Dahman and Linda MacDonell) to send out details and email invitations. Ono will print certificates. Moser contacting OCHR to provide a link for public to read essays and view artwork. Discussion of providing light refreshments/beverages, possibly solicited from local businesses.
- **HRTF Board Professional Development – Lee-Goodman**
 - Lee-Goodman unable to attend meeting tonight. Details next month.
- **HRTF Board Vacancies - Moser**
 - Moser met with council liaisons to discuss filling the vacancies. Push to re-interview applicants later in the summer.
- **HRTF document library/calendar – Moser**
 - Moser spoke with City Clerk Robin Estanislau regarding institutional memory and having a document library. Discussion of HRTF Staff Liaison converting paper documents to digital documents, as they are used/needed. Discussion of forwarding planning documents/files and attachments to the Staff Liaison so HRTF efforts can be maintained for future use. Moser recommended creating an index of these documents to HRTF members are aware of what is available and can request this information for new or continuing projects.

H. Staff comments/Distribution of information or materials

- None.

I. Task Force Member Announcements

- Moser attended the HB Interfaith Council meeting. She encouraged members to bring concerns to her that the HRTF could possibly address.
- Antonio Benitez with OC Human Relations will be hosting a speaker symposium on 5/31/19. Looking for speakers on social justice.
- Social justice night – poetry competition on 5/31/19 at HBHS. Not open to the public.
- Hate Crime Network Meeting on 6/11/19. Moser will attend.
- Prayer Breakfast with Reverend James Lawson. Moser attended.
- OCHR awards dinner – Moser attended as the guest of another group. Moser provided Antonio with a copy of the Youth Voices HB newspaper.

J. Items for Future Consideration

- Moser would like to discuss working with OCHR and the HB Listens program with the possibility of implementing this in the local schools.
- Discussion of a student representative at the monthly HRTF meetings.

Adjournment

**Adjourned at 8:05 pm to Tuesday, June 4, 2019.
Huntington Beach Central Library, Room B, at 6:45 pm**