

Austin Human Rights Commission

Meeting Minutes, March 27 2017 (Austin Public Library)

Present: Jason Baskin, Shawn Martin, Jessica Swanson, Adam Pulchinski, Richard Lemons, Raquel Imbert, Trish Wiechmann (City Liaison)

Absent: Andre Goodlett, Lia Culbert, Miguel Garate

Citizens visiting: None in attendance

Commissioner Baskin called the meeting to order w/quorum at 6:27 pm.

- 1) Adopt/Amend Agenda – Addition: Sara Karki event – Know Your Rights Symposium. J. Baskin moves; J. Swanson second. Unanimous pass.
- 2) Sara Karki event – April 5 at noon. AHRC Sponsorship; no on-ground or monetary ask, just promotion. J. Baskin moves; J. Swanson second. Unanimous pass.
- 3) Approve February Meeting Minutes – J. Swanson move, A. Pulchinski second. Unanimous pass.
- 4) Treasurer's Report - 2 Expenditures: \$28 planning session. \$100 for State HRC membership. One additional expenditure will be posting to the budget shortly – \$35 film rights fee for MLK/Artworks Council event from 2016.
- 5) Welcoming Report Group Discussion
 - Review timeline: on track to deliver presentation to City Council and Community Stakeholders after 5/21. Have there been similar surveys in the past? Is there a repository of past work/data?
 - Review & discuss key themes: lengthy discussion – thoughts towards engaging clergy leadership in beginning to build relationships of trust.
 - 4/19 Community Conversation team – J. Baskin looking for assistance in event coordination and assistance in facilitation. To be held at Riverland – East Campus cafeteria, 6:00 PM start; setup at 5:00. World Café process as a template? Perfect event to plant the seed of engaging leaders from minority groups? Richard suggested checking with PRC for help with childcare options.
- 6) Taste of Nations Support – From being tabled last meeting. April 29th, 11:30-1:30 at El Parral Ballroom. \$500 request that does fit in our wheelhouse, but there is concern about how Hispanic-heavy the event is. Perhaps split between event/individuals. Motion to approve \$300 for general support. J. Swanson move. A. Pulchinski second. Pass unanimous.
- 7) Sub-Group Progress Reports
 - a. Increasing Access – no report made
 - b. Gender Roles/Sexual Violence – no report made
- 8) Citizens Address – none

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm. Next meeting Monday, April 24th, 2017.