

Austin Human Rights Commission
Meeting Minutes, November 27, 2017(Austin Public Library)

Present: Jessica Swanson, Miguel Garate, Lia Culbert (late), Oballa Oballa, Dan Mueller, Jason Baskin and Andre Goodlet.

Not Present: Adam Pulchinski, Raquel Imbert, Trish Wiechmann

Commissioner Jason Baskin called the meeting to order at 6:15pm

1. Adopt/Amend Agenda –

Discussion: None. Adopted, no changes.

2. Approval of October Minutes – Minutes were approved

3. Treasurer's Report – A discussion was had about how best to allocate funds as our year comes to a close. Riverland has started food pantry that is open Thursday and Monday from 10-2. Jessica motioned to donate 500.00 to the Riverland Foundation with the stipulation that it is for the pantry. Oballa 2nd and the motion was approved.

Inclusive Community – Continue to present Welcoming Report. Had second meeting with strategic planning committee for becoming a welcoming community. Good by-in so far.

Access – Will discuss more in depth at Dec meeting. AHRC will be losing one commissioner soon (Raquel) and looking to place new commissioner with Access sub-committee.

Gender – Will have final two nights of the series November 30 and Dec 7. Turn out for first two were good and we're thinking ahead to next year and planning a reshowing at a different venue. Lia has already secured the Paramount through Laura Helle at no charge (as long as our dates work around their schedule).

Roundtable

Miguel – There will be a 40 hr. interpreter training offered at a reduced cost. 15 have signed up so far. Also, we need to begin planning for MLK event now. Miguel will take the lead on this and wants to focus on DACA/Dream Act discussion

Jessica – Floated idea for 'language lunches' for people who would like to practice their second language skills.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24. Next meeting December 18, 2017 at 6:15 at the Austin Public Library.