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City of Greensboro

**Human Relations Commission Minutes**

May 12, 2014

**Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Arbuckle motioned to accept the April 9, 2014 Minutes as presented by Interim Chair Reaves and Commissioner Grandon seconded the motion followed by a unanimous vote to accept them.

**Report from the Chair:** No report

**Staff Report:** Dr. Crossling reported on the upcoming Teen Summit to be held on May 31, 2014 at the Cultural Arts Center. Dr. Crossling commented on the nature, plan and purpose of the event and the event history. Mr. Hunt gave the International Advisory Committee (IAC) report on behalf of Committee Chair Umar Awan. Mr. Hunt highlighted current IAC activities, the Mosaic Festival sponsored by World Relief, meeting date proposals and future partnerships with community based organizations. Mr. Hunt also commented on the availability of evening meeting venues, and the value of using program planning guides and the value of having secretaries on committees.

**Committee Reports**

**Complaint Review Committee (CRC):** Committee Chair Shuford commented on the status of cases and the cancellation of a recently scheduled Fair Housing Administrative Hearing that was settled by the parties. Discussion arose between **Preamble:** The Human Relations Commission (HRC) convened for its regular monthly meeting at 6:30pm on the above date in the Brown Recreation Center at 302 E. Vandalia Road with Interim Chair Janice Reaves presiding.

**Present:** Interim Chair Janice Reaves; Commissioners Margaret Arbuckle, Kurt Collins, Gary Grandon, Paul Ksieniewicz, Chantale Wesley-Lamin, Gale Murphy, Clarence Shuford, Kevin Williams, Jean Brown, Tonya Doane, Adam Marshall, Executive Director Dr. Love Crossling and Allen Hunt, Supervisor

**Excused Absences:** Commissioner Michael Picarelli, Committee Chair Umar Awan

**Absent:** None

**Acknowledgement of Visitors:** Ms. Sade Nicholson, Salima Thomas, Mrs. Doane

**Call to Order:** Interim Chair Reaves called the meeting to order and a moment of silence was observed.

several members of the Commission and staff about the nature, purpose and intent of the CRC Enhancement Committee made up of City Council members. The Commission commented on the CRC process and their understanding of the Greensboro Police Department’ process. Dr. Crossling encouraged Commissioners to participate at the next tentative CRC Enhancement Committee Community meeting.

**Education Committee:** No report.

**Human Services Committee:** No report.

**International Advisory Committee:** Report given on behalf of Committee Chair Awan by Mr. Hunt during staff report.

**Montgomery-Wells Housing Committee:** No report.

**Program Planning Committee:** Committee Chair Grandon reported that the Committee met on April 16th and discussed possible HRC meeting and programming topics and that the next meeting time is to be determined.

**Employment Committee:** Committee Chair Williams commented on his recent connectivity and partnership with the HR Group and the nature and direction of the Committee.

**Old Business:** None

**Other Business:** Commissioners discussed future evening meeting times and locations and holding the next regular meeting at the traditional time and location during the month of June and not meeting in July as has been the Commission’s tradition. Audience members participated with the Commission in a discussion about connecting the Commission with the needs of the Community and advertising their meetings more effectively.

**Nomination of Officers:** A vote was taken by ballot by signed ballot by all Commissioners present. Commissioner Shuford received nine votes for HRC Chair and Commissioner Picarelli received three votes. Commissioner Williams received 11 votes for Vice Chair. The Commission voted unanimously to accept the vote and Commissioner Shuford became HRC Chair-elect and Commissioner Williams became HRC Vice Chair-elect, both to take office on August 15, 2014.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Interim Chair Reaves called for a motion for adjournment and Commissioner Grandon made such motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Wesley-Lamin.

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*Chairperson* *Date*