

Law Enforcement Review Advisory Committee (LERAC)  
10 September 2008, noon  
Conference Room B, County Courthouse,

Attendance: Byrd Lochtie (Acting chair), Christina Allbright, Garr Nielsen, Larry Miller, Sheila Nitzel, Rick Botzler

**The next meeting will be at 12 noon on Wednesday, September 17, in Conference Room B of the County Courthouse.**

Byrd called the meeting to order and presented her narrative for the McLean Grant. The remainder of the meeting was devoted to bringing the narrative into alignment with the Grant requirements and the LERAC intentions. After some discussion, it was determined to request a total of \$65,000 from all agencies, with \$60,000 allocated to contracting an auditor for up to 300 hours, and \$5000 allocated for administrative costs. The funds requested include:

McLean Foundation	\$15,000
Humboldt Area Foundation	\$15,000
MacArthur Foundation	\$15,000
Board of Supervisors	\$10,000
Eureka City Council	\$10,000

After Byrd made some adjustments to the narrative, she agreed to forward the corrected version to Rick, who will complete the application.

We appreciated receiving Garr's supportive letter for the grant.

Having received Byrd's corrections, I have a few comments for consideration:

a. I have edited Byrd's initial draft to help keep it within the space allocation of the application, as specified by the McLean Foundation. In some cases, I also helped the matter by reducing the font size, since there was no clear indication in the instructions of a minimum font size. Please be sure that the current narrative on our objectives and plans still matches everyone's perceptions.

b. I agree with Byrd that, as a government agency, we do not need a copy of an IRS501(c)(3) Tax Exemption Determination Letter.

c. A number of years ago, when the Humboldt County Hate Crime Network ceased operation, their remaining funds of about \$1100 were given to the Human Rights Commission as the organization closest to fulfilling their goals. Those funds have been listed under item 11 of the proposal. Over the years, other groups (e.g., Bar Association, St. Joseph Hospital) have donated funds for specific projects such as our community resource cards; I have not listed these since they each were for a specific purpose rather than for the Commission's general use. Do you agree with this difference?

Rick