

HUMBOLDT COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (HRC) MINUTES

Meeting of 11 July 2006

Conference Room A

Humboldt County Courthouse, Eureka, California

Chair Lochtie called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A. Attendance and Introduction of Guests

Present: Lochtie, Filar, Lyons, Miller, Aziz, J. Shaffer, Ward, and Botzler

Excused absence: B. Shaeffer, Tharp Unexcused absence: Rubin Guests: 0

B. Approval of Minutes

Filar moved (Miller seconded) that the 13 June 2006 minutes be accepted. Passed unanimously.

Special item: Rose Rodriguez, from Latino.net, was not able to attend; her presentation is rescheduled for October.

C. Public Comment

1. No public comments presented.

D. Correspondence, Contact Reports, and Telephone Calls

1. Phone line reports

A. Ward summary of calls

1. No items requiring Commission discussion; a summary was given to Miller for Commission records.

2. Other correspondence

A. J. Shaffer gave a summary of HSU Multicultural Center's calendar of events.

Phone list for coming weeks.

Ward	1 to 15 July	(Open)	1 to 15 October
Botzler	16 to 31 July	(Open)	16 to 31 October
J. Shaffer	1 to 15 August	(Open)	1 to 15 November
Miller	16 to 31 August	(Open)	16 to 31 November
Tharp	1 to 15 September	(Open)	1 to 15 December
Filar	16 to 30 September	(Open)	16 to 31 December

E. Committees, Liaisons, and Case Reports

1. Finance (J. Shaffer). There is \$965.48 in the current Commission account.

2. Law Enforcement Matters (Miller)

No new information.

3. Outreach and Education Matters

a. There is a possibility that the company that purchased Cox Cable may move to discontinue their contract with the County, which would undermine the Media Center program. There is some proposed legislation that would make it possible/legal for them to do that.

4. Web site (Ward)

a. No new information

5. Recognition.

a. Lochtie will present the Commission's commendation for Christina Allbright to the Board of Supervisors along with the Commission's annual report. Past commendations for the Northcoast Education Summit (E. Rofes) and KHUM also will be attached to the annual report.

6. Intern. This item will be reinstated as a regular report on future agendas.

7. Calendar. This item will be added to future agendas and minutes

July	Election of officers Approval of annual report
August	Present annual report to Board of Supervisors
September	HSU Multicultural Center Convocation
October	Preparation for Human Rights Awareness month in December Indigenous Peoples' week, HSU Multicultural Center
November	Campus Dialogue on Race, HSU, 2-10 November Preparation for Human Rights Awareness month in December
December	Human Rights Awareness month
January	Lunar New Year celebration, HSU Multicultural Center
February	Black Liberation month

March	13 th Annual Diversity Conference, HSU Multicultural Center, 2-3 March
April	Celebracion Latina, HSU Multicultural Center Asian Pacific Heritage celebration, HSU Multicultural Center
June	Prepare slate of officers for coming year Prepare draft of annual report for Board of Supervisors

F. Unfinished Business

1. Miller moved (Filar seconded) that the following serve as officers for the coming year

Chair:	Botzler
Vice-chair	Lyons
Secretary	Ward

Passed unanimously. J. Shaffer agreed to continue serving in the role as treasurer.

Because of the number of likely absences and the lack of pressing business, Filar moved (Ward seconded) to cancel the August meeting. Passed unanimously.

2. Miller reported a temporary postponement in developing the Eureka Jail letter. He also reported that 20 Commission signs were given to Lt. Figas for placement in key spots of the County Jail. (Ward earlier reported that no calls had yet been received from the jail on the phone lines.)

3. Lochtie attended the June meeting of Humboldt.net and is tentatively planning to make a brief presentation on the Commission to that group for the August meeting.

4. No report on the "Safe Schools" initiative (Tharp).

5. Status of Rubin resignation was unclear. Without further participation by the September meeting, the Commission will exercise its right according to the bylaws to declare here position vacant. Botzler will then notify the Board of Supervisors of this action.

6. Lochtie will present the Commission annual report to the Board of Supervisors on 25 July, 9:30 am. She has received some comments on the draft and will e-mail the final draft to the Commissioners before the presentation. Miller will e-mail phone call statistics to Lochtie by 19 July.

7. Ward received some comments on the resource cards and will find the estimated printing costs.

G. New Business

No new business was brought to the floor

H. Adjourn

With no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned 7:35 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 12 September 2006, 6:00 p.m. in Conference Room A of the County Courthouse, Eureka.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Botzler, Secretary pro tem