

Humboldt County Human Rights Commission  
Meeting of September 3, 2009  
County Courthouse, Eureka, California

- A. Attendance and Introductions
  - a. Present: Aronoff, Farber-Bush, Herbelin, Heise, Miller, Shelter
  - b. Absent: Brake-Mills, Holt, Munsee, Sanders
  - c. Guests: None
  
- B. Minutes
  - a. The minutes were approved as presented.
  
- C. Public Comment
  - a. There was no public comment.
  
- D. Telephone Calls, Correspondence, and E-mail Reports
  - a. Miller reported on one call regarding road work.
  - b. Lochtie reported for Sanders. A woman reported a conspiracy regarding the removal of her children. She was advised to contact the CA Attorney General and to hire an attorney from outside Humboldt County. She was advised that HRC does not have authority to investigate this kind of situation. A man called regarding an issue with a radio and Sanders advised contacting Small Claims Court. Another man called regarding road conditions, and there were two call from out of state.
  - c. Telephone Assignments
    - 1. Shelter            August 1-15
    - 2. Pereira           August 16-31
    - 3. Heise             September 1-15
    - 4. Farber-Bush     September 16-30
  - d. Correspondence
    - 1. Sanders wrote to the jail.
  - e. E-mail
    - 1. An e-mail was received regarding animal activism
  
- E. Committee Reports
  - a. Finance (Lochtie)
    - 1. Lochtie reported a balance of \$831.40/
  - b. Outreach and Education
    - 1. Miller reported that NIMBY is not mentioned in the County plan and suggested that HRC take on educating the public on transitional housing matters and emergency shelter challenges.
    - 2. Herbelin mentioned the rental property proposal in Eureka and said that she will be attending a meeting about it on August 18.

3. Lochtie reported that Sanders has arranged for a volunteer to translate the resource cards into Spanish. He will send the PDF file to Farber-Bush for printing.
  4. Aronoff said that he is working on the film festival.
- c. Website
1. No report
- d. Recognitions
1. Lochtie suggested a declaration to honor persons in public office. A motion was made by Herbelin, seconded by Miller, and passed by The Commission to put together a statement of appreciation recognizing employees and public servants doing a good job. Lochtie will talk to Sanders about writing a "My Word" article on this subject. Commissioners were reminded to think about additional recognitions.
- F. Unfinished Business
- a. Law Enforcement Review Board
    1. No report
  - b. Homelessness in Humboldt County
    1. A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Aronoff that HRC add to the letter already submitted to The Board of supervisors additional recommendation regarding SRO and detached bedrooms. These recommendations will be presented publicly at the August 18 meeting as well as an offer for HRC to help educate the public on NIMBY and related homeless issues. The motion passed. Miller will work with Sanders on the letter.
  - c. Latino Net Fair
    1. Lochtie announced that this will take place from noon till 4:00 at College of the Redwoods on October 11, 2009. It was discussed that this might be a possible place to recruit a Latino commissioner.
- G. New Business
- a. Reappointment of Miller to Commission
    1. Miller will contact K. Hayes to discuss this.
  - b. Annual Report
    1. A review of the contents was presented.

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