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## Meeting Minutes

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Date: Aug. 5, 2015 Time: 4:10 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Location: 421 SW 6th Avenue, Suite 500 Portland, OR

Commission Attendees: Deyalo Bennett, Chabre Vickers, Audrey Alverson, Damon Isiah Turner, Alisha Zhao, Daniel Franco Nunez, Marcia Suttnerberg, Allan Lazo, Sam Sachs Se-ah-dom Edmo, Ashley Horne

Commissioners Absent: Rebecca Naga

Staff Attendee: Kenya Budd

Approval of Minutes and Agenda / Welcome and Gathering

- Audrey motions to accept : second by Deyalo, Approve meeting minutes
- Addition of Josh Alpert's title correction and spelling correction of Se-ah-dom's name.

### Chair's Update

The Chair asks that the commissioners keep in mind the admonition to keep it simple and to continue to provide each other with support. The chair intends to hold a special public meeting to flesh out the Administration of Justice priority for HRC and to continue with Housing as the other area of focus not to the exclusion of other areas of importance as they emerge. The commissioners unanimously agrees.

### Citizens Review Committee

Julie and Irene shared that the CPC is an eleven-member Citizen Review Committee (CRC) was created in 2001 to help improve police accountability, promote higher standards of police services, and increase public confidence. Volunteer CRC members are appointed by City Council to perform four primary functions:

- Gather community concerns about police services.
- Help the IPR Director develop policy recommendations to address patterns of problems with police services and conduct.
- Review and advise IPR and IA on the complaint handling process.

Hear appeals from complainants and officers and publicly report its findings.

Their next meeting is Wednesday, August 26 2015 @ 5:30 PM.

A Proposal was made by Se-ah-dom to attend the next CRC meeting and bring a draft proposing an administration of Justice Summit for all of the "C" groups as an opportunity to collaborate and share non duplicative work.

#### Approval of Proposal

- Marcia motions to accept : second by Sam, Approve the Summit proposal
- 11 pass, 0 abstentions, 0 fail.

#### **Decision to support group bringing resolution to City Council that would declare: Portland supports closure of Guantanamo; calls on Congress to remove ban on domestic transfer of detainees; and makes known that one or more detainees approved for transfer would be welcome into the Portland community.**

A letter of support was approved by the Commission, with a few changes such as “men” to” persons”, the addition of Human Rights Declaration article 9 and signed on behalf of the commission by Chabre.

#### Approval of motion

- Theresa motions to accept : second by Deyalo, Approve the Summit proposal
- 10 pass, 1 abstentions, 0 fail.

#### **Public comment**

Rob Such, Jewish voice for peace, spoke in support of the Resolution to release and relocation of Guantanamo Bay detainees.

Peter Miller, Americans United for Palestinian Human Rights, spoke in support of the Resolution to release and relocation of Guantanamo Bay detainees.

Charles Johnson encourages mutuality for the Commission. And urged them to keep responding to those other intersections that cross with the priority areas that they agreed upon.

Kevin Martionick , thanked the commission for its interest and support and he spoke in support of the Resolution to release and relocation of Guantanamo Bay detainees.

#### **Director’s report**

ADA 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event was a huge success.

The Office of Equity and its staff is in full support of Chabre’s leadership and the work of the Commission.

#### **Asks for Support**

Human Rights Day- A request was made that on December 10<sup>th</sup>, Commissioners participate and or partner as a commission to be on the planning committee and or the commission would donate \$250.00 towards the food costs for the event.

Alisha and Deyalo expressed interest in participating,

#### Approval of motion

- Allan motions to accept : second by Se-ah-dom, Approve the commission’s participation
- 10 pass, 1 abstentions, 0 fail.

### **Nominations and Membership**

A motion was made to host 2 youth seats on the HRC, and to examine at the feasibility of having a seat for Mult. Youth Commissioners on the HRC. This topic was tabled until next meeting.

Marcia Suttentberg was appointed alternate and Se-ah-dom Edmo was appointed Primary member of the COAB.

Deyalo Bennett and Theresa Soto volunteered for CPRC and a formal vote will be held for their appointment as CPRC members in the near future.

Approval of motion

- Sam motions to accept: second by Audrey, Approve the commissioners appointments to COAB and to be considered for CPRC.
- 11 pass, 0 abstentions, 0 fail.

A proposal for a commission position to be created for Communications and secretary in September will be discussed in depth at the next meeting. Alisha made it known n that she is interested in taking on this position.

HTTF- HRC moves to support the HTTF Sept. meeting at \$1000.00 and table the next discussion until next meeting.

Approval of motion

- 10 pass, 1 abstentions, 0 fail.

### **Other items to revisit**

Retreat parking lot items

Rapid response witness volunteer.

Next meeting

**Adjourn**