



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, June 18, 2014
TIME: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
PLACE: Cherokee Point Elementary School Auditorium
MEETING: Number 266

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 5:30 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance

Dion Brown	Tiffany Harrison	Lorena Slomanson
Mark Dillon, Chair	Shana Hazan	Susan Thomson Tschirn
Charles Gillig	Godwin Higa	Joel Trambley, Vice Chair
Gloria Harris	Jessica Nare	Lillian Shallow, Youth Commissioner

Excused Commissioners

Mary Alcock	Monica Bauer
Mitz Lee	Gagandeep Kaur

Staff Present

Danell Scarborough, Exec. Director
Denise Sandoval, Exec. Assistant
Shannon Callahan, HRC Intern

Minutes of May 21, 2014 Commission Meeting – approval was postponed due to lack of quorum at the beginning of the meeting.

Non-Agenda Public Comment - None

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION/ACTION:

TRAUMA INFORMED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Students, Parents and Community Members from Cherokee Point Elementary School

Introductions:

- Godwin Higa, Principal at Cherokee Point Elementary, Leader in Trauma Informed Schools, Human Relations Commissioner
- Dana Brown, Community Advocate and Commissioner of the Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention.
- Dr. Audrey Hokoda, Associate Professor in the Child and Family Development (CFD) Department at San Diego State University (SDSU).

A student developed video and an informational video on Trauma Informed Schools were shown. Parent leaders shared their stories of learning, empowerment, and transformation
(Translated from Spanish to English by Ms. Carmen Rodriguez)

The parent leaders expressed that they have learned a lot about themselves and have a better understanding on how to guide their children in a positive manner. They all feel empowered and have started using positive reinforcement for negative behaviors with their families and others. The parent leaders encouraged the HRC to support TICS and promote the program in all schools.

ACTION AGENDA

New Business

- Issue Team/Working Group Reports
 - Trauma Informed Schools – Request to be on July agenda to express HRC support
 - Homelessness and Housing - New connection made at the Housing Commission
 - Seniors/Elders – Pursuing new topic: Elder Abuse
 - Human Trafficking – Request to have new legislation on the July agenda as a motion item
 - Hate Crimes/Racial Profiling - None
 - Awards and Recognition – Request to be on July agenda for discussion and decision
- Immigration Issue Team – Presentation and discussion of proposal regarding Immigrant and Refugee Affairs Office. Request to be on the July agenda as a motion item

INFORMATION AGENDA

Chair's Report

- Renamed the Executive Committee: Docket/Agenda Planning Meeting.

Commissioners' Reports and Announcements

Executive Director's Report

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.