

Minutes of MC Human Rights Commission April 1, 2025

Call to Order: 12:08 by Chair Derald Borton Roll Call: Present: Albertine Allen, Mary Ellen Quinn, Derald Borton, Bunny Dimke, Sel Dunlop, Marty Corley Absent Kamisha Williams, Tyra Walker Jaime Llorens

Motion to approve March Minutes made by Sel Dunlop, Mary Ellen Quinn seconded. Motion carried

. Finance Report from Bunny Dimke. March 30 balance is \$5214.95. This reflects March disbursement of \$770 in gift card awards for Black History Month contest. Sel Dunlop made motion to accept report; second by Mary Ellen Quinn, motion carried.

Chair Report by Derald Borton: Pastor Dennis Carroll has resigned from the Commission. Mayor has appointed Kamisha Williams. Derald sent a thank you to Life Care Center for donation of calendars and bookmarks for Black History Month. Life Care acknowledged us on their FB page. Derald will send out press release regarding Humanitarian of the Year Nominations request and sale of tickets.

Fundraising Committee: Mary Ellen has secured a caterer for the HOYA event.

Education Committee: Marty Corley will deliver scholarship notices to all the High Schools next week. Deadline for submissions is May 2.

Community Engagement: Nothing to report

Social Status Of African American Males Committee: With the resignation of Pastor Carroll, Chair Derald is seeking a replacement.

No Old Business

New Business: Discussion of making HR Commission meetings hybrid using Zoom. Marty Corley will look into possibility of setting it up. Marty made the motion that the Commission adopt a hybrid mode. Albertine Allen second. Motion carried.

Commissioner Comments: Sel Dunlop asked the Commission to consider adopting a new Community engagement project: "Paint the City Red". Project would include purchasing red flower seeds to distribute to residents for planting. This would coordinate with Mayor Angie's Beautification Project. Marty Corley and Sel Dunlop will spearhead this. Sel Dunlop suggested contacting all city houses of worship and asking them to encourage sending 1-2 of their members to City Council meetings. Marty Corley announced: April 7-11 at 5:30 Junior Detective Series at the Police Station. This is for girls 5-17 to encourage women in policing. April 16 10-11 Easter Egg stuffing at the Senior Center April 17 4:30-6:30 Tour of the Police Station as part of the Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours. April 19 Easter Egg Hunt 11:30 at Fedders Alley Ages 0-12

No Public Comments

Meeting Adjourned 1:00pm Respectfully

submitted, Bunny Dimke

Derald Borton

chair