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**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 27, 2016
CIVIC CENTER, ROOM 301**

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Ruby McGlown
Robert Dion
Tim Black
Brenda Murry-Pittman
Gerald Arnold
Estella Moss
Rick Kueber

STAFF PRESENT:

Diane Clements-Boyd, Executive Director
Bonnie Fox

David Kent, Commission Counsel

The monthly Human Relations Commission board meeting was called to order on the above date by Commission Chairperson Robert Dion.

Roll was called with the above named commissioners and staff present.

It was properly moved and seconded by Commissioners Moss and Kueber respectively to accept the minutes of the December meeting.

New Business:

Sponsorship Request –

Commissioner Black presented the commissioners a request on behalf of WNIN for \$1,000.00 for multiple 15 second television spots that will air during Black History Month and up to 81 times from February 4, 2016 – May 14, 2016. It was properly moved and seconded by Commissioners Kueber and Murry-Pittman respectively to grant the

request. Commissioners voted unanimously. The funds will be taken from the HRC Donations account.

Law Enforcement Transgender and Multicultural Awareness Training –

A full day has been set aside for this training to be held on February 2nd at Ivy Tech Community College. The First Session will be 8:30 – 11:30 AM. Second Session is 1:30 – 4:30 PM. The person conducting the training is from Indianapolis and Ken Bergeron from the Chicago office of the Department of Justice will also be participating. It was reported that the local Universities will also be included.

Public Hearings – Update

Counsel Kent reported that phone conferences are set up for the following week, and the hearing may be within the next six (6) months. The complainant will be represented by counsel.

Letter to Indiana Legislatures –

Chairperson Dion presented commissioners with a draft of the letter he proposed and reported how important it is for the HRC to make a statement on civil rights protection in Indiana to include sexual orientation and gender identity. If the amendment passes the letter can be sent to local lawmakers. It was properly moved and seconded by Commissioners Kueber and Black respectively to get the letter sent ASAP. Commissioners voted unanimously.

Old Business:

School-to-Prison-Pipeline in Indiana –

The director reported that the hearing date has been set for February 17, 2016 in Indianapolis and there will be someone from Evansville there to testify.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

The director passed out her monthly report for December, 2015.

Director Clements-Boyd reported that Evansville will be hosting the Annual Consortium this year and she proposed having the HRC Annual Dinner at the same time. It was suggested to the director to move the date of the Consortium to August instead of June. The director reported that the Consortium will meet the next day and she will forward the information.

Director Clements-Boyd presented commissioners with possible dates for November and December meetings due to the meeting dates being so close to the holidays. The commissioners chose to meet on November 16th and December 14th in 2016. It was properly moved and seconded by Commissioners Kueber and Arnold respectively to accept these dates as the meeting dates in November and December. Commissioners voted unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS REMARKS:

Tim Wise, who was the Commissioners' Annual Dinner speaker in 2014, will be at the University of Southern Indiana on February 11th at 7:00 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:20 pm.