

Minutes of the Clarksville Human Relations Commission  
Saturday, January 18, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT - Candy Johnson, Chair; Ken Roberts, Vice-Chair; Feleesha Johnson, Treasurer; Bill Gordon, Secretary; Mercedes A. Acuña; Mohsun Ghias; Johnny Jones

MEMBERS ABSENT - Fe Melendrez

OTHERS PRESENT - JoAnn Latz

QUORUM - A quorum was present.

At the Clarksville-Montgomery County Public Library, a meeting of the Clarksville Human Relations Commission (CHRC) was held on Saturday, January 18, 2014 at 12 PM. The minutes for the meetings on July 11, 2013 and November 14, 2013 were approved as read.

## OLD BUSINESS

**I. Small Business Training Workshop.** Feleesha Johnson produced flyers for the small business workshop. The section of the workshop on financing the SBA way is from 9 AM to 10 AM, and the government contracting section is from 10 AM to 2 PM. There are computers for 32 participants but the number of participants can increase to 40. The HRC voted to unanimously sponsor another workshop in spring 2014 on doing business with local and state governments.

## II. Committee Reports.

- A. Community Education and Outreach Initiatives Committee.** Candy Johnson and Feleesha Johnson are the co-chairs of this committee. The committee plans to use booths at the Rivers and Spires Festival on April 25 and April 26. Those at the booths can give out HRC tote bags and brochures.
- B. Marketing/Public Relations Committee.** Mercedes A. Acuña is the committee chair. The membership present decided that the HRC brochure should contain: HRC activities, how to obtain information on social resources as well as cultural, international, and diversity events on our website, city officers, contact information. Johnny Jones volunteered to manage a CHRC Facebook page.
- C. Mediation Committee.** Bill Gordon is the chair of this committee. The committee will work on scheduling another peer mediation training for L.E.A.P. O.R.G., a community youth organization.
- D. Research and Evaluation Committee.** Ken Roberts is the committee chair. Ken Roberts announced that the Clarksville HRC Resources Directory is ready for posting. Candy Johnson will send a logo so Ken can add a cover page. This document lists Clarksville organizations that provide social services and their contact information. Ken has completed the hard work of verifying all the contact information.

**III. Meeting Dates.** At 6 PM in Kimbrough at APSU, the CHRC plans to meet on the following dates in 2014: January 18, April 10, and July 10, and October 9.

## NEW BUSINESS

**I. Dr. Martin L. Kings Jr. Event.** Candy Johnson will represent the HRC at the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Unity Service in Honor of the Late Dr. Martin L. Kings Jr. on January 20, 2014 in Walnut Grove Baptist Church at 1616 Walnut Grove Road.

**II. Diversity Event.** Ken Roberts represented the HRC at a workshop entitled Beyond Barriers to Passion and Possibility: Wholehearted Engagement at Work that was held on January 16, 2014.

**III. HRC Mail.** Sylvia Skinner will hold HRC mail sent to City Hall, One Public Square.

The meeting adjourned at 1:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
William A. Gordon  
Secretary  
Clarksville Human Relations Commission