

Community Relations Council Minutes
In-Person Meeting
June 9, 2022
6:00-7:00 PM
150 Johnston St.

Attending: GiGi Anderson, Reginald Brackett, Darryl Cunningham, Sierra Hughes, Rena Hunter, Rachel Lillibridge, Summersby Okey, Taninya Smith, Cynthia Ware
City Staff: Jason Weil (Attending)
Not Attending: Robert Karkoski, Shekinah Miller, Jonathan Nazeer

Purpose: To promote respect, appreciation and understanding of diversity among all people in our community by promoting positive human relations and reducing discrimination, assessing and responding to the human relations needs of our community, serving as a source of information, and advocating and recognizing change to achieve our mission.

1. Call to Order/Moment of Silence/Purpose Review

- a. Called to order at 6:06 PM
- b. Moment of Silence

2. Approval of Minutes from April & May

- a. Motion to Approve:
- b. Second:
- c. Motion approved unanimously

3. Introductions

- a. New & Returning Members
- b. Neighborhood Services Guest: Leslie Galvez

5. New Business

- a. Volunteer Update
 - I. Approval of Materials (Volunteer Agreement & Application)
 - i. Members gave feedback and corrections
 - ii. It was moved by S. Hughes and seconded by R. Hunter to accept materials with noted changes. Motion passed.
 - II. Recruitment Plan
 - i. Materials will be shared via social media during the last week of June. Members are asked to share info as well.
 - ii. It was suggested that it be shared via the City's newsletter, United Way newsletter, RH Panhellenic Council, and Winthrop University
- b. Retreat Planning
 - I. Dates and time frame were suggested: 7/17 or 8/7 from 2:00pm-5:00pm
 - i. Survey will be emailed to select a date.
- c. Human Affairs Week
 - I. June 19th-25th
- d. Subcommittees

- I. Meeting Date
 - i. Fourth Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm
 - ii. First Subcommittee Meeting will be held July 28th. A follow-up email will be sent.
- II. MLK Subcommittee
 - i. Theme: Members are asked to send themes to G. Anderson. “Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness” and “Hold on to Hope” were suggested.
 - ii. Will contact English teachers in August due to multiple changes in staff at schools.
 - iii. Bids for caterers will be accepted beginning July 1st.
 - iv. Tickets will go on sale October 1st. The use of Eventbrite was suggested.
 - v. Sponsorship letters will include a ticket donation option.
 - vi. Details: Rev. Dr. McCorn (Speaker), First Baptist Church (Location), Rock Hill MLK Choir (T. Butler, Director)
- III. Black History
 - i. Will start researching transportation options and costs.
- IV. Race Equality Month
 - i. J. Nazeer has stepped down as Chair due to a new role
 - ii. R&R Collaboration- Stephen Turner; September 29 at 7 PM
 - iii. Food Truck Friday- September 16
 - 1. Immersion School Song
 - 2. Follow up on Band
 - iv. International Festival- September 17th
 - v. Freedom on Trial - Author will be at Winthrop and possibly Brattonsville Plantation
 - vi. Jail No Bail Exhibit
 - vii. Community Forum- September 20
 - 1. Location & Date: TBD

5. Announcements and Concerns

- a. SCHAC 50 Year Anniversary Celebration
 - i. June 30th at 6:00pm in Columbia, SC
 - ii. R. Hunter and G. Anderson volunteered to attend
 - iii. Invite Mayor or City Council member as well
- b.

6. Adjourned at 7:10pm

Upcoming Dates:

CRC Next Meeting: May 14 (In-person)

