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Community Pride and Human Relations

Draft Diversity/Inclusion Sub Committee Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2007.

Days Inn Board Room

Support Staff: Maureen Coy

Present: Pieter Van Waard, Al Plummer, Lesley Sapp, Nanette Chun-Ming Ward, Vicki Hobbs, Leela Jashnani

Absent: Ana Marie Fernandez, Julio Lorio, Alicia Lorio, Otto Steinhaus, Hsiao-Mei Weidmeyer

Next meeting: June 20th 6-8 pm. at Lange Middle School,

I. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

No minutes to approve. Meeting on May 30th was cancelled and rescheduled to this date.

II. Key Meeting Discussion Topics for Diversity Inclusion Sub-topic group

Al and Nanette brought Vicki and Lesley up-to-date about what had been discussed at last meeting and how they wanted more input and some interviewing related to the Resource Scans from others on the subcommittee. Pieter shared what the next course of action will be for the CTGs. Related to the sub-committee strategies: Al Plummer agreed to talk to both Steve Hollis, Community Services manager, and Bill Watkins, about the suggestion of the first strategy - to reorganize and expand the Human Right Commission and expand the Study Circles. It was suggested that Hsiao-Mei might be a good partner to go with him. Vicki offered to help to if she was needed. It was suggested that maybe Maria Glase, with the Human Rights Advisory Board, be contacted to gather input.

Al also agreed to contact Margrace Buckler and Bill Watkins about cultural awareness training (strategy # 2) for city employees and it was suggested the Leela or Hsiao-Mei go with him. Leela agreed to gather info from organizations that might be doing anything related to forming an Intercultural council (strategy # 3) and possibly Otto would be interested in going with her related to how culture and religion might intersect.

III. Actions to be Taken

Maureen will send an email to Otto to find out his interest or availability in helping Lela talk to folks about strategy #3.