

**Human Right Commission
June 22, 2005 Meeting Minutes**

Members Present: Marie Glaze, Noel English, Glenn Glasgow, Mark Thomas, Randy Cole, Valeta Snell

Members Excused: Lawrence Morganfield III

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Phil Steinhaus, Erin Cozad

- I. **Call to Order/Introductions:** Glaze called the meeting to order and introductions were made.
- II. **Approval of Agenda:** Glasgow moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Thomas and passed by a unanimous vote.
- III. **Approval of 5/25/05 Meeting Minutes:** Glasgow moved to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Thomas and passed by a unanimous vote.
- IV. **Old Business:**
 - A. **Community Study Circles Program Report:** Tabled until next month.
 - B. **Volunteer Hours Report:** Tabled until next month.
 - C. **RagTag Cinema: Israeli/Palestinian Film Event:** Steinhaus reported that the City Council approved the contract on Monday night.
 - D. **Pride Fest 2005:** Cozad reported that she staffed a booth at the Pride Fest and that there was good attendance and quite a few booths providing information on a variety of topics.
- V. **New Business:** None.
- VI. **Staff Reports:**
 - A. **Community Services:** Steinhaus passed out a copy of the final report from the Delta Sigma Theta. Steinhaus noted several news articles as well as an updated commission roster in commissioner folders.
 - B. **Law Department:** No report.
 - C. **Investigator/Community Educator:** No report.
- VII. **Closed Session:** Thomas made a motion to go into closed session to discuss pending cases. The motion was seconded by Glasgow and a roll-call vote was taken. Cole called the roll with the following vote: English – yes, Glasgow – yes, Thomas – yes, Snell – yes, Glaze – yes, Cole – yes.

Thomas made a motion to end the closed session. The motion was seconded by Snell. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

VIII. Public Comment: None.

IX. Commissioner Comment: Cole shared that he is glad to be back in town and has returned to Columbia because he likes living here and enjoys his work with the Study Circles program.

Snell noted that Robert Killian was recently convicted of manslaughter 40 years after his participation in the murder of three civil rights workers in Mississippi.

Cole noted that a Community Circle will be held on Wednesday, June 29. The focus of the program will be a "Teen Speak" listen-in circle. The program will be held from 6:00 – 8:45 p.m. at the library.

X. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Phil Steinhaus, Manager
Office of Community Services