

City of Boulder
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING SUMMARY FORM

NAME OF BOARD/COMMISSION: Human Relations Commission
DATE OF MEETING: March 19, 2009
NAME/TELEPHONE OF PERSON PREPARING SUMMARY: Erika Krouse, (303) 441-4157
NAMES OF MEMBERS, STAFF AND INVITED GUESTS PRESENT: Commissioners Present – Leisha Conners Bauer, Pilar Elena Collazo, Jill McFadden, Amy Stein, Rayford Stewart Commissioners Absent – None. Staff - Richard Johnson, Erika Krouse
WHAT TYPE OF MEETING (CIRCLE ONE) [REGULAR] [SPECIAL] [QUASI-JUDICIAL]
AGENDA ITEM 1 - CALL TO ORDER - The March 19, 2009 HRC meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by J. McFadden.
AGENDA ITEM 2 - AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS – None.
AGENDA ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES – L. Conners Bauer moved to approve the minutes with one amendment. R. Stewart seconded, and the motion passed with a vote of 5-0.
AGENDA ITEM 4 – COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION – None.
AGENDA ITEM 5 - ACTION ITEMS A. Grant proposal: Intercambio de Comunidades – Lee Shainis from Intercambio asked the HRC to buy and distribute their guide, <i>What Every Immigrant Needs to Know</i> . The HRC asked about outcome measurement, other possible funders/customers, how the Guide will be distributed and how the Guide differs from other resources in the community. There was concern over how accessible the Guide would be. R. Stewart moved to fund Intercambio \$1500 toward that project. L. Conners Bauer seconded. J. McFadden made a friendly amendment asking the HRC to contribute \$2000 and Intercambio would distribute the copies within Boulder. After discussion, J. McFadden withdrew her amendment. The motion passed with a vote of 4-1. L. Conners Bauer gave the dissenting vote on the grounds that she would prefer to fund sustainable programs and trainings for people to use the Guide. B. Grant proposal: Boulder Pride – Boulder Pride requested funding to train nonprofits about discrimination based on gender identity and sexuality. The HRC had already funded Boulder Pride to do a study on the necessity for such training. The original study addressed businesses, but Boulder Pride found businesses to be resistant. The HRC discussed a concern over mission drift and the importance of employer education about discrimination. A. Stein moved to fund Boulder Pride’s Chamber of Commerce membership. L. Conners Bauer moved to fund marketing materials and Chamber membership at \$1200. P.E. Collazo seconded. The HRC expressed concern as it was unclear what the marketing materials would entail. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0. C. Grant proposal: BIH, Take Back the Night – Take Back the Night asked for permit funding for their April 16 th event. CU and Naropa are the main funders for Take Back the Night, which is aimed at empowering victims of sexual assault. A. Stein moved to fund Take Back the Night at \$150. L. Conners Bauer seconded, and the motion passed with a vote of 5-0. D. Changes to HRC Funding Processes – A. Stein moved to delete section IX – “Funding Requests to the HRC” – of the Human Relations Commission Handbook, and replace with the text labeled “IX. Funding Requests to the HRC,” as passed by the Commission last month and contained as an attachment to this month’s agenda. J. McFadden seconded, and the motion passed with a vote of 5-0.
AGENDA ITEM 6 – Discussion/Informational Items A. Nominations for Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson - J. McFadden moved to nominate Amy Stein as Chairperson. L. Conners Bauer seconded. Amy Stein accepted the nomination. R. Stewart nominated Leisha Conners Bauer as Deputy Chair. A. Stein seconded. The vote will take place in the April meeting. B. HRC Dinner, R. Johnson – Jill McFadden’s term as a Commissioner has expired, and the HRC will host a dinner to celebrate her on April 30 th at 6 p.m. at Conor O’Neil’s. C. Gang Related Activities, R. Johnson – Clay Fong had given a presentation on gang-related activities to the HRC, and members of the Boulder Police Department are currently giving neighborhood presentations. R. Stewart and L. Conners Bauer volunteered to be on a HRC gang-related task force. The HRC asked for another presentation from Clay Evans, and to get the Recreation Centers involved. D. NAHRW/IAOHRA Conference, R. Johnson – With budget cuts, there is currently a Staff moratorium on travel. However, if the HRC is interested in going to the NAHRW/IOHRA Conference, they are still eligible to go. E. Announcements <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New HRC member, R. Johnson – Jonathan Dings is the new member of the HRC. 2. Training on Boards and Commissions – Staff passed out guidelines for Boards and Commissions members, and pointed out special circumstances and rules. 3. Rescheduled meeting – A. Stein thanked the HRC for moving the meeting so she could attend. 4. Jill McFadden’s end of term – R. Stewart extended gratitude to J. McFadden’s inspiring leadership abilities, and feels that the HRC was lucky to serve with her. J. McFadden said that it has been an honor, a truly significant experience and a privilege to work with each of the HRC members. Staff also expressed gratitude and respect for Commissioner McFadden.
AGENDA ITEM 7 – Immediate Action Items – None.
AGENDA ITEM 8 – Adjournment – L. Conners Bauer moved to adjourn the March 19, 2009 meeting. R. Stewart seconded, and the motion passed with a vote of 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.
TIME AND LOCATION OF ANY FUTURE MEETINGS, COMMITTEES OR SPECIAL HEARINGS: The next regular meeting of the HRC is scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. Meeting location will be City Council Chambers, 1777 Broadway.