
**CITY OF MESA
HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (HRAB)
March 23, 2016 Action Results**

The Human Relations Advisory Board (HRAB) of the City of Mesa met on March 23, 2016 at 6:00pm in the Upper Level, City Council Chambers, 57 E. First Street.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Denise Heap- Chair
Colleen Byron
Frank Johnson
Nadia Khalighi
Cliff Moon
Martin Rios
LuAnn Schmidt
Mark Tompert

MEMBERS ABSENT

Cheryl Anderson
Robert Martinez
Talmage Pearce

STAFF PRESENT

Comm. Ken Cost
Bethany Freeland
Ruth Giese
Kelly Gregan
Ray Villa

GUESTS

1. Vice Chair's Call to Order.

Ms. Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

2. Items from Citizens Present.*

There were no citizens present who requested to speak to the Board.

3. Approval of minutes from the October 28, 2015 HRAB meeting.

Mr. Tompert made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 24, 2016 meeting. Mr. Moon seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

4. Discuss and take action on Mesa Police Department Monthly Community Engagement Report.

(4a) Updates on Diversity related police incidents and activities.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

(4b) Updates and scheduling of upcoming Police Advisory Board meetings.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

5. Discuss and take action on items presented by the Youth Diversity Education Team.

(5a) Updates on organizing youth community service and diversity education project (including the topic of bullying) with the Baha'i Community, Anti-Defamation League, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Gay Lesbian Education Network.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

(5a-1) Organizing of the Youth Peace-Building Summit.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

(5a-2) Organizing a mural project at Community Partners School.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

(5a-3) Organizing additional Youth Reading Service Projects.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

6. Discuss and take action on items presented by the Disabilities Action Team.

(6a) Updates on organizing a meeting and presentation regarding individuals with mental health and substance abuse issues to the Chamber of Commerce.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

(6b) Updates on collecting information and recommendations about ways to support the availability of services and programs for people with disabilities and the implementation of the ADA.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

7. Discuss and take action on the following standing items outlined in the 2015-17 Strategic Plan.

(7a) Updates by Dr. Byron regarding monitoring the Police Community Forums and the statistics of police activity in the community.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

(7b) Updates by Mr. Rios regarding 21st Century Policing.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

(7c) Updates on increasing the number of speakers enrolled in the Speaker's Bureau and marketing that availability of the Speaker's Bureau as a community resource.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

8. Hear updates, discuss, and take action on the progress of the City's Anti-Discrimination Ordinance.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

9. Hear updates and discuss recommending the creation of a Mesa Police Review Board.

Mr. Tompert made a motion to establish a subcommittee charged with the task of taking the necessary steps needed to start a Mesa Police Review Board. Ms. Khalighi seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

10. Hear reports on conferences and/or meetings attended

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

11. Scheduling of meetings, future agenda items, and general information, including those set forth below.

(11a) Next meeting will be held on April 27, 2016.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

(11b) Indie Lens Pop-Up: *Peace Officer* on April 21, 2016 at the Dobson Ranch Library located at 2425 S Dobson Rd on April 16, 2016 at 7pm.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

(11c) The 2016 Phoenix Pride Parade will be held on Sunday April 3, 2016 at 10am.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

12. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.

***Members of the audience may address the Board on any item. State Statute prohibits the Human Relations Advisory Board from discussing any item that is not on the agenda.**

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