

CITY OF MESA
HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (HRAB)
Ad Hoc ISSUES RESEARCH AND PROJECT TEAM
March 28, 2012 Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT

Denise Heap
Rory Gilbert
Frank Johnson
James May
Orchidia Peterson
Dean Tun Lin Moe

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

Ruth Giese
Lyn Buzuleciu
Emily Blankenship

GUESTS

Deanna Cantrell
Cliff Moon
Ryan Russell

1. Welcome and Introductions.

Ms. Heap called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Items from citizens present.

There were no citizens who requested to speak to the Ad Hoc Community and Education Project Team.

3. Approval of minutes from the January 18, 2012 Ad Hoc team meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson to approve the January 18, 2012 minutes. Mr. Tun Lin Moe seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of minutes from the February 13, 2012 Ad Hoc team meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Tun Lin Moe to approve the January 18, 2012 minutes. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Discuss, plan and provide direction on a community discussion of bullying, which includes hearing from Cliff Moon, Chair Mesa MLK Jr. Committee; Mary Anne LeGerski, GLSEN; Deanna Cantrell, Mesa Police Lieutenant; and a representative of Mesa Police Association.

The April 28th community conversation was discussed by the Adhoc team. Ms. Heap provided a summary of the proposed agenda and the panel of speakers. Ms. Gilbert will be facilitating the conference. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Ms. Heap discussed securing sponsors for the event. The team also discussed the workflow for the entire day, including small and large group activities.

Ms. Gilbert and Mr. May will connect with their contacts with expertise in workplace bullying. Ms. Peterson reported that she has a contact for bullying in the schools. Ms. Cantrell has asked a Mesa police officer to discuss cyber bullying. The team also discussed that anti-bullying legislation was

recently defeated at State Legislature. In addition, it was suggested that a short anti-bullying video be shown at the event. Ms. Gilbert asked Mr. Moon to invited students form Mesa Public Schools.

6. Discuss future agenda items, meeting dates, announcements, other housekeeping.

The team scheduled its next meetings on April 3rd and April 16th. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.