The Human Relations Advisory Board (HRAB) of the City of Mesa met on September 25th, 2019 at 6:00pm in the Lower Level Council Chambers 57 E 1st St Mesa AZ 85201.

MEMBERS PRESENT
Colleen Byron- Chair
Ron Williams-Vice Chair
Amy-Lyn Faatoafe
Alvaro Gonzalez
Bill McAllister
Jared Smith
Joseph Holmes
Lou Wade
Nadia Khalighi

MEMBERS ABSENT
Alane Breland

STAFF PRESENT
Andrea Alicoate
Cisco Luzania
Tara Hall
Ed Wessing

GUESTS

1. Chair’s Call to Order.

   Dr. Byron, called the meeting to order at 6:04pm.

   (1a) Introduction of new HRAB member, Bill McAllister.

   (1b) Announcement of excused absences

   Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

2. Items from Citizens Present.

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

3. Approval of minutes from the Aug 24, 2019 HRAB Strategic Planning meeting.

   It was moved by Mr. Williams, seconded by Dr. Byron that the above-mentioned minutes be accepted as written.

   Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

   AYES- Dr. Byron, Mr. Williams, Ms. Faatoafe, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. McAllister, Mr. Smith, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Wade, Ms. Khalighi

   NAYS- None

4. Discuss and make recommendations on Mesa Police Department monthly report.

   (4a) Update on police community forums and other community engagement initiatives.

   (4b) Reporting and statistics of police cases and trends within the community as it relates to diversity.

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Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

5. Discuss and take action on the HRAB 2019-2021 Strategic Plan.

It was moved by Mr. Wade, seconded by Ms. Khalighi that the above-mentioned HRAB 2019-2021 Strategic Plan be accepted as written.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES- Dr. Byron, Mr. Williams, Ms. Faatoafe, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. McAllister, Mr. Smith, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Wade, Ms. Khalighi

NAYS- None

6. Discuss and provide direction on the need for resources and distribution of educational information for economically disadvantaged populations.

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

7. Discuss and provide direction on building awareness of current efforts in the community to provide support for migrant issues in Mesa.

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

8. Discuss and provide direction on the planning and implementation of the Women's Empowerment Summit.

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

9. Discuss and provide direction on the planning and implementation of the Youth Peace Building Summit and other diversity educational activities for youth.

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

10. Discuss and take action on the cancellation or rescheduling of the following Board meetings:

(10a) Rescheduling of November 27, 2019 Board meeting to December 4, 2019.

(10b) Cancellation of December 25, 2019 Board meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. McAllister that the above-mentioned meetings be rescheduled and cancelled.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES- Dr. Byron, Mr. Williams, Ms. Faatoafe, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. McAllister, Mr. Smith, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Wade, Ms. Khalighi

NAYS- None

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11. Scheduling of meetings, future agenda items, and general information.

(11a) Next HRAB meeting will be held on October 25, 2019 at 6pm in the Lower Level City Council Chambers (57 E 1st St).

(11b) Celebrate Mesa will be held on October 19, 2019 from 5:00PM to 9:00PM at the Red Mountain Soccer Complex (905 N Sunvalley Bldv).

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

12. Hear reports on conferences and/or meetings attended.

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.


The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.

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