
**CITY OF MESA
HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (HRAB)
April 27, 2016 Action Results**

The Human Relations Advisory Board (HRAB) of the City of Mesa met on April 27, 2016 at 6:00pm in the Upper Level, City Council Chambers, 57 E. First Street.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chery Anderson-Vice
Chair
Colleen Byron
Frank Johnson
Nadia Khalighi
Robert Martinez
Talmage Pearce
Martin Rios
LuAnn Schmidt
Mark Tompert

MEMBERS ABSENT

Denise Heap- Chair
Cliff Moon

STAFF PRESENT

Bethany Freeland
Ruth Giese
Kelly Gregan
Cmd Harold Rankin
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 March 23, 2016 HRAB meeting.

Ms. Schmidt made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 23, 2016 meeting. Dr. Byron 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 the following standing items outlined in the 2015-17 Strategic Plan.

- (6a) 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.

- (6b) Updates by Mr. Rios regarding 21st Century Policing.

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

- (6c) 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.

7. 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.

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

9. Discuss and take action on the recommendation to support more future efforts into Downtown Mesa Preservation through Mesa's Historic Preservation program.

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

10. Discuss and take action on the request to support the Haitian Flag Day event on May 21, 2016.

Dr. Byron made a motion for the Board to show their support for the Haitian Flag Day event. Ms. Schmidt seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

11. Discuss and approve the cancellation of the June and July Board meetings.

Mr. Tompert made a motion to approve the cancellation of the June and July Board meetings. Ms. Anderson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

12. Discuss and vote on the selection of the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair for the 2016-2017 Board year.

Mr. Pearce made a motion to nominate Mr. Tompert as Chair for the 2016-2017 Board year. Ms. Anderson seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Ms. Anderson made a motion to nominate Ms. Khalighi as Vice-Chair for the 2016-2017 Board year. Mr. Tompert seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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

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

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

- (14a) Next meeting will be held on May 25, 2016.

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

- (14b) Indie Lens Pop-Up screening at the Volstead Public House located at 105 W Main St on April 28, 2016 at 7pm.

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

- (14c) Reminder that the Board will hold a regular meeting on August 24, 2016.

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

15. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

***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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