

**Minutes of Richmond Human Rights Commission (RHRC) Meeting  
September 14, 2017**

**Location:** City Hall, 239 W. Main St., Richmond, KY 40475

**Attending Members:** Asad Jadoon, David Johnson, Debbie Secchio, Pat Reister, Mitch Brown, Virgil Gardner

**Guests:** Drs. Rifath Ali & Molly McKinney

Chairman Pat Reister presided over the meeting and it was called to order at 7:20 PM.

Chairman called for additions or corrections to the minutes of the August meeting. Being none, a motion for approval was made by Commissioner Brown and a second by Commissioner Johnson. All were in favor, the minutes were approved.

Commissioner Jadoon brought up the issue of doing audio recordings of RHRC meetings. This was discussed at length prior to the call to order. Commissioner Jadoon motioned to record public segments of meetings as per open forum availability. Motion seconded by Commissioner Gardner, in favor were Commissioners Reister, Jadoon, Brown and Gardner. Opposed were Commissioners Secchio and Johnson. The motion passes.

The materials were distributed from the City training for Open Meetings & Public Records.

**Old Business:**

- Discussion took place about proposed 2012 RHRC school club program "Teen Ambassadors" and taking this forward. The outline for this was written years ago by Commissioner Jadoon, but several on the commission have not had the opportunity to read this or give approval. Commissioner Secchio motioned that the original document/format be sent out to everyone for review, discussion and approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown, all in favor.
- Our new meeting dates will be second Thursdays of the month at 7PM. This has been posted on Facebook, webpage, and in Richmond Register.
- Commissioner Johnson worked on informational poster/flyer which can be done in bright neon color as a fast read. We may be able to have more CLINGS distributed through Beta Sigma Gamma at Dr. McKinney's suggestion. It was decided we'd split up the area and try again to pass out CLINGS.
- Our new laptop donated by the city has "Office 2016" and mail can be accessed without password. City still has not provided any storage space, so Chair will check on this.

**New Business & Complaints:**

- Treasurer's Report: between left over funds as far back as 2014 and current funds, we have \$2022.00 on hand. Our current budget allocation held by city under their control. We discussed a donation towards Michael Parker's funeral fund. Commissioner Jadoon made the motion to donate \$1500, but there was no second. Chair will ask Mayor how to proceed with making a donation from our funds.
- Commissioner Reister is agreeable to renew his term and remain as Chair. He will let the Mayor know.

- The Chair will give the recommendations of Drs. Ali & McKinney to the Mayor for interviews to fill our vacancy.
- A complaint was discussed, but the complainant could not be reached for followup.
- Events: Disability Awareness Day at ECU Powell Center, 9AM-2PM. Also, ECU Diversity Breakfast, 7:30AM-9AM

Meeting was adjourned by Chair at 8:45 PM. Next meeting Oct. 12,2017 at 7 PM .

***Debbie Secchio, Secretary***