



HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

City Hall - 2nd Floor
Committee of the Whole Conf. Rm.
619 16th Street, Moline, IL 61265

- Minutes -

12 March 2012

Meeting began at 4:00 p.m.

o In Attendance

Commission Members present:

Chair Willie Ellis, Commissioner Janet Zam, Commissioner Michael Woods PhD

Commission Members absent:

None

Guest(s) in attendance:

None

o Opening Discussion

- Minutes of 15 December 2011 approved. Commissioner Michael Woods made motion; Chair Willie Ellis seconded motion: minutes approved.

o Old Business

- Discussion was made concerning the **Mayor's** comments at the Special Meeting that was held on December 15, 2011. The Mayor was in agreement on all elements that were discussed.

o New Business

- It was decided that we need to postpone our State of HRC Commission Summit with other Quad Cities until after we fill all vacant Moline Human Rights Commission open positions. The target date for the Summit will be late summer of 2012.
- An action plan was discussed and a decision was made on finding new members for the HRC:
 - a. Commissioner Michael Woods suggested that Commissioner Janet Zam become Staff Liaison again due to a possible conflict of interest because she is a full time City of Moline employee. The MHRC will be seeking 5 new Commissioners.
 - b. Each current Commissioner will bring 3 nominations to the next MHRC meeting along with details about each person.
 - c. Discussion was made about having people from different ethnic groups as Commissioners.
 - d. New Commissioners should either live or work in Moline.
 - e. Need to bring different skills sets to the MHRC.
 - f. Will take suggestions to the Mayor and would like to have new Commissioners by the May 14, 2012 MHRC meeting.

- It was decided to wait on having an Annual Event for the Moline Community. Suggestion was made to look into partnering with other agencies that have events in the Quad Cities.
- The current MHRC flyer was discussed. The decision was made to postpone this until a later date.

- **Other Business:**
 - The decision was made not to change our calendar meeting months at this time. Will discuss at the April meeting.

- **Adjournment :**
 - Commissioner Michael Woods made motion to adjourn at 5:00 p.m. Chair Willie Ellis seconded motion.

Next meeting: **9 April 2012**

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Janet Zam

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