Human Relations and Equity Committee Meeting Madison Heights, Michigan October 06, 2022

A Human Relations and Equity Committee Meeting was held on Thursday, October 06, 2022 at 6:00 PM at Library - Breckenridge Room, 240 W. 13 Mile Rd.

# CALL TO ORDER

Chair P. Szymanski called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT Nickole Fox Amy Guzynski Emily Reetz Council Alternate Quinn Wright Chair Paige Szymanski Council Representative Emily Rohrbach

Also Present: City Liaison, Heather Hames

EXCUSED ABSENT Rebecca Chambliss

ABSENT Amy Pugh Marie Urban

### **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS**

N. Fox moved to add the HREC meeting schedule to the agenda. Seconded by E. Reetz.

Yeas: All Nays: None Motion passes.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approval of the minutes of the July 7, 2022 meeting.

Approval of the minutes of July 7, 2022. Motion made by E. Rohrbach. Seconded by P. Szymanski.

Yeas: All Nays: None Motion passes.

### MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

There was no one present wishing to speak.

## REPORTS

2. Advise & Educate

Nothing to report.

3. Communication

Nothing to report.

4. FUNdraising

The Plant and Book sale on September 18, 2022 was a success. There were several volunteers and the book sale portion where HREC partnered with the Friends of the Madison Heights Public Library brought in \$104.50 - split with the Friends.

The Plant Sale portion brought in a net profit of \$674.29 for HREC, minus what the credit card fees will be.

N. Fox has instructions and a checklist for setting up this fundraiser again in the future.

5. Volunteers and Collaborations

The Diverse Voices Book Club is going well. More books are being checked out than attendees who are coming for the discussion, but that is an indication that people are interested in the topics. The last two books for 2022 are higher profile titles and we anticipate a larger crowd for these two books, the Vanishing Half by Brit Bennet, and The Firekeeper's Daughter by Angeline Boulley, both available now at the library in all formats.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

6. Newsletter

P. Szymanski will coordinate a newsletter to help chronicle HREC activities and will create a form for members to fill out as each activity happens.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

7. Boards and Commissions Handbook

H. Hames shared the updated Boards and Commissions Handbook and collected acknowledgement forms from members present.

8. HREC Annual Work Plan

Members agreed by consensus to meet on Saturday, December 10, 2022 from 10 am - 1 pm in the library's Breckenridge Room for a strategic plan meeting to create the 2023 Annual Work Plan due to the City in January 2023.

### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by P. Szymanski at 7:09 p.m.

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