

**MEETING MINUTES FOR THE
MICHIGAN CITY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

July 5, 2022

PRESENT: Albertine Allen Bunny Dimke Nancy Moldenhauer
Dennis Carroll Diana Gore Tyra Robinson-Walker
Marty Corley Judy Lange Mary Ellen Quinn

ABSENT: Soljourna Atwater Melody Haynes

OTHERS Ta-Tanisha George Larry Arness Don Przybylinski

PRESENT: ALCO

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m. by Nancy Moldenhauer

ROLL CALL: Roll call was conducted. Attendance recorded above. A Quorum was present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the minutes for May 2022 was entered by Marty Corley and properly seconded by Judy Lange. Motion carried. Vote 9-0.

Bunny Dimke noted that the balance of the Commission fund recorded in the June 2022 minutes was inaccurate. The balance should have been reported as \$2,370.83 and not \$2,320.83. Mrs. George explained the difference of \$50.00 was because of an unrecorded donation associated with the Galveston Steakhouse giveback. Instead of \$300.00 earned from the giveback, the correct amount was \$350.00.

A motion to approve the minutes for the June 2022 meeting with the correction was entered by Albertine Allen and properly seconded by Dennis Carroll. Motion carried. Vote 9-0.

FINANCE REPORT: Bunny Dimke repeated that the balance in the account is \$2,370.83. There was no activity during the month of June. A motion was entered to approve the Finance Report for July 2022 by Mary Ellen Quinn and seconded by Marty Corley. Motion carried. Vote 9-0.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mrs. George stated that there was no report.

STAFF ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Arness stated that there was no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Executive Committee: The Committee met on July 5, 2022, right before the regular Commission meeting. The committee discussed the strategy for interviewing candidates for the position of Executive Director. The goal is to setup interviews for the end of July.

The committee also discussed the restructuring of the Human Rights subcommittees. This subject was discussed in more detail under Old Business.

Special Events Committee: No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS – Continued:

Scholarship Committee: The Scholarship selection committee is still submitting their selections. Recommendations will be submitted for the August meeting.

Fundraising Committee: Mrs. George has been in contact with Leeds. She will pick up a check for approximately \$966. This donation is the result of Leeds' Drink of the Month Program. The proceeds go to support local non-profit groups.

SSAAM: No Report

Education Committee: No Report

Governance Committee: No Report

MLK Committee: No Report

Laporte County PFLAG: The Pride Fest, held Saturday, June 18, 2022, in Washington Park was discussed. Everyone gave positive feedback.

Tenant/Landlord: No Report

OLD BUSINESS: The Commission discussed the restructuring of the subcommittees. The new structure was presented in the following manner:

Subcommittee	Purpose
Executive Committee	Governance
Development/Fundraising	Special Events, Give Backs, Sponsorships
Education	MLK Event, Black History Month, Judi Huber & Hawkins Williams Scholarships
Community Engagement	Renter/Landlord, LGBTQA, SSAAM, Disability Awareness

A motion to accept the reconfiguration of the subcommittees as presented was made by Bunny Dimke. Judy Lange seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 9-0.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Albertine Allen announced the Women's Commission will be celebrating its 10th anniversary with an event on Friday, August 26, 2022. The event will be held at the Orak Temple. Tickets are \$75.00 and one of the keynote speakers will be Sheila Matias, current LaPorte County Commissioner, and former Mayor of Michigan City.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: Continued

Dennis Carroll shared his appreciation for being able to rejoin the group meeting after a short absence.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

ADJOURN:

The meeting concluded at 4:52 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

August 2, 2022, 4:30 p.m. – City Hall

Respectfully Submitted

Ta-Tanisha George, Interim Executive Director