

City of Toledo Human Relations Commission
Full Meeting
Zoom Meeting September 19,2022
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

The Human Relations Commission shall endeavor to support a safe, energetic, and livable city. The Commission will support residents working to overcome prejudice and build mutual respect.

Present: Carly Salomone, Amari Baker, Caryn Maloney, Erin Baker, Lauraine Carpenter, Raina Dawson, Penny Tullis, Ron Wells Jr., Micheal Alexander, Theresa Alvarado, Joe Peterson, Sierra Webb,

Absent: Nina Corder (in Europe), Matt Killam, David Ross

Guest Speaker: Carly Salamone, Senior Director of Community Health Improvement, The Hospital Council of NW Ohio. Topic Infant mortality and power point is on Basecamp

Call to order: at 6:26. Discussion of minutes and Micheal made a motion to accept minutes, Sierra seconded, vote taken and minutes accepted, none opposed.

Mayor's Office Updates -CM

The next public information session will be at Birmingham Library on October 26th.

Mediation - AB

- City of Toledo met with Sue at the Municipal Court to direct possible mediations to the appropriate agency. There are currently no mediations in progress.

Exec. Committee and Updates

○ **Stop the Violence - SW**

- Esports initiative. Leadership Toledo has a project plan and the Pilot school is Birmingham Library and they will look at statistics for expansion during 2023 in preparation for Citywide Esports next year.
- Survivors Support Alliance hopes to host a summit this October. It will be a networking event to engage and connect with community members.
- Tom Douglas' Peace and Healing Commons is up and running.
- STV will partner with YEE for Trunk or Treat October 26th at the Scott High School parking lot from 4:30-6:00 and volunteers are needed!!

○ **Social Justice - RW**

- COT hoping to provide a mechanism to field local discrimination cases and provide protections such as the source of income.
- WIMBY (Welcome in My Back Yard) had a great first meeting.
- The Unity Coalition is working for voter advocacy and needs volunteers from HRC for voter registration. The deadline for voter registration is October 11th.
- Erin added that Angel Tucker will be offering an abbreviated presentation for Better Toledo on Tactical Communication October 20th.

○ **Community and Neighborhoods - MA**

- Last meeting at Middlegrounds discussed WIMBY, Community Gardens and continued work at the Doug.
- CN has a new meeting time - 6:30 on the first Wednesday of the month.
- PT discussed the August cleanup at Bowsher - twelve people volunteered and a student group was present and will also join the cleanup at Oakdale school in October. Volunteers always needed and the hours for cleanup will be 10-12.

○ **Youth Empowerment and Engagement** - EB introduced Joe as a new cochair for YEE.

- Joe spoke about Esports in Birmingham and the need for appropriate mentors to connect with Youth.
- The Youth Commission (Danielle) will offer a town hall to partner with YEE.
- Theresa added that a survey will be sent out for high schools students.

○ **Old Business**

- Welcoming Week-EB
- Two hundred people attended Welcoming Week celebration at the library.

○ **New Business** LC announced that she will step down from the Exec committee and HRC at the end of December.

- New Goals EB reminded us that a draft of 2023 goals need to be submitted to Liaisons by the October HRC meeting. Exec will then compile goals and look at support and collaboration opportunities.

Full Commission meeting in person on December 12th at a local restaurant. Caryn will need people to RSVP to determine if we will have an in person meeting. There will be a brief meeting to vote for Executive committee, approve minutes, and then have a celebration of our work accomplished in 2022. Sierra suggested the Improv group join us.

For the Good of the Order

Adjournment. Micheal made a motion to adjourn, Sierra seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 6:57.

Next Full HRC meeting October 17th Guest Speaker Troy Brown