



RACE RELATIONS COMMISSION

Minutes

February 2, 2023, 6:00 pm

City Hall—First Floor Banquet/Conference Room 212 SW 9th Street

I. Call meeting to order

Action: Roll Call at 6:04

Members Present: Bishop John Dunaway, Larry Faaita, Chris Foster, Mary Fountain, Arlie Hampton, Stephanie Jenkins, Kim Jones, Benny Llanos, Joe Williams

Council Present: Onreka Johnson, Allen Hampton

II. Verify posting of meeting

Action: Verify posting of meeting and review next meeting date.

III. Establish quorum.

Action: We started out without enough for a Quorum, but members came and we had a quorum.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Agenda was approved.

V. Welcome/Introductions

Guests: Taron Epps, Warren Winns, Andre Wilson, Sammie Powell, Christal Thompkins, Jessica Brown, Amiyah Yarbrough, Matina Davis

VI. Remarks/Announcements from Council Members or Mayor

Onreka Johnson – Thank you for your service in working together for the good of the city.
Allen Hampton – Thank you for your service.

VII. Approve previous minutes

Motion to approve minutes from January 5, 2023.

January Minutes were approved with Ms. Jones motioning to approve them, with changes, Benny Llano motioned to approve the minutes with changes, Larry Faatia 2nd. Minutes were approved by the quorum.

VIII. Reports

Subcommittee reports submitted.

Diversity Engagement – Kim Jones gave a report on Cultural Cuisine to be held in April and Ms. Alberty is meeting with the International Families from Fort Sill to include them with the program. KSWO would like to interview HBCU students that live in the area. 20 people have been identified that attended HBCU. They want the constitution to talk to them.

Community Outreach – We were suppose to meet on January 24 but due to the weather we had to cancel. We are rescheduling. No date at this time.

Community Empowerment – nothing

Building Racial Equality – nothing

IX. Unfinished Business

Action: None.

X. New Business

Community Conversation we had to cancel the appointment due to weather. Will reschedule.

Need all reports from the Communities so that Bishop Dunaway can make a report to the Mayor/City Council Annual Report. All items are due by the end of the month to Bishop Dunaway.

XI. Input and questions

Bishop Dunaway said that he looked on the website Policy Institute and learned a lot about Federal Grants for Education. He made the mention if you have time to go to this website and look around.

League of Women Voters has made a brochure about Criminal Justice about the impact of fees.

XII. Announcements

2/10/2023 McMahon Auditorium Lawton Artist for Michell Rosario reception @6:00 p.m.

2/6/2023 Black History Month sign proclamation Cameron Ballroom, at 5:00 p.m.

Please check the Black History Calendar. If you do not have access to it please let us know.

2-19-2023 Soul Food Festival @ St Johns.

Talked about the upcoming Juneteenth celebration coming June 17. June 16 we will have a Block Party (something new this year). Bishop Dunaway is on a conference call every Saturday to get information from all the other people in the nation about their celebrations.

XIII. Next Meeting

March 2, 2023

XI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:42p.m. Arlie Hampton made a motion and Stephanie Jenkins 2nd. Motion passed.