## MONMOUTH COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

FULL COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, February 4, 2012 3:30-5:00
Agriculture Building Conference Room
4000 Kozlowski Road, Freehold, NJ 07728

Attendance: Jeff Delaney, Charles Brown, Pat Collum, Dave D'Amico, Kay Guadagno, Fatima Jaffari, John Sorrentino, Rev. Ricky Pierce, Philip Smith, Chanderjit Sawhney, Inderjit Sawhney, Carolyn Schwebel, John Schwebel, Mike Schneider, Jim Terrell, Sherri West, Linda Zucaro. Guests: John Curley, Monmouth County Freeholder, Dale Daniels (Honoree), Steven Daniels, Mary Pat Angelini, NJ Assembly, 11<sup>th</sup> District, Daniel Lee, Sandy Rosenbloom, Janice Sweeney, Melissa Teasley (Earl's sister), Daniel Weiss

- I. Call to Order Salute to the Flag. The meeting began at 3:30PM with the salute to the flag.
- II. Approval of December 2012 Meeting After several small corrections, the minutes were approved.
- III. Treasurer's Report Inderjit reported an opening balance of \$2100 at the end of September and the following expenses: \$1350, which went for breakfast refreshments for the December workshop, with additional breakfast expenses of \$270 in December, as well as payments to Vista Printers of \$89.12. Receipts received during this period were \$270, which leaves a balance of \$930.88 as of February 4, 2013. A hard copy of the supporting documents will be attached to the minutes, and when an electronic copy is received, will affix to the minutes.
- IV. Core Team Reports: Police/Community Relations Jeff Delaney reported that we are continuing with Part II of the Police/Community Relations Workshops, and Chief Sorrentino commented on his discussions with the Monmouth County Police Academy Director regarding logistics and general plans for the workshop next December. Carolyn Schwebel reported that the evaluations received were outstanding, with comments that people w/ disabilities be included next year. Linda Zucaro commented about the quality of the workshop sessions, and members applauded John Sorrentino for his outstanding job, especially

considering his additional responsibilities in the wake of Hurricane Sandy.

## V. Standing Committees and Support Teams

- A. Membership-Linda reported no news this month, but hopes to have some at the March Executive Meeting. She asked that members recommend Daniel Weiss, an immigration lawyer, with the request that someone "Hook me up with him when he gets to the meeting today."
- B. Communications— Carolyn reported on the publicity associated with the Earl Teasley Award. John Schwebel mentioned that a new link has been created for the MCHRC website, "MCHRC In the News." Check the website for updates: MCHRC Website.
- C. Incident response and Reporting no reports.
- D. Community Resource Development no reports.
- VI. Unfinished Business –Charles Brown reported that the Freeholders will review next year's budget request within the next few weeks. Though there has been a county-wide budget cap of \$2200 for groups like ours, he is not sure about the carryover of funds should we not spend our allotment, and he suggested looking at activities on a quarterly basis to ensure that the Commission will receive the same amount in the future. Until the 2013 budget is passed, each group is only able to spend 25% of its anticipated annual budget.

## VII. New Business

- A. Nominating Committee Linda reviewed the nominations process and the following members volunteered to serve on the committee—Linda Zucaro, John Sorrentino, and Kay Guadagno. The nominating committee for the Earl T. Teasley Award will consist of Ricky Pierce, Pat Collum, and Sherri West.
- B. Representatives of Monmouth County Police Academy John Sorrentino, after earlier conversations with Director Morris and Dave Scimeca, Monmouth County Police Academy, relayed a

proposal to institute an Alternate Route Process for attending the Police Academy, and asked for ideas and suggestions from the Commission. Director Morris will appear in April to discuss the proposal in more detail. Chief Sorrentino said that the Alternate Route program of 26 weeks has been very successful throughout Monmouth County. Michael Schneider spoke of his own experience as a graduate of the Alternate Route program in 1995, so this has been in process for some time. Dave D'Amico added that the program was suspended for about two years due to financial problems in some police departments, but it is being reimplemented with the Prosecutor's Office doing all background checks. He added that this is an important effort on the part of the Police Academy to add diversity to its membership.

VIII. Members and guests introduced themselves before the adjournment.

IX. Adjournment – Adjournment at 4:00PM

PRESENTATION OF THE EARL T. TEASLEY HUMANITARIAN AWARD

**Program for Earl T. Teasley Humanitarian Award February 4, 2013** 

Brief welcome by MCHRC chairperson, Dr. Jeff Delaney

Award history/description --- Master of Ceremonies, Pat Collum

Words about Earl ---Pat and Carolyn

Introduction of Dale Daniels, award recipient--Pat Collum Presentation of award

**Freeholder John Curley** 

**Assemblywoman Mary Pat Angelini Response by Dale Daniels** 

Words from Earl's sister, Melissa Teasley

Refreshments