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**MONMOUTH COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Monday, May 4, 2015, 3:30–5:00PM  
Agriculture Building  
4000 Kozloski Road, Freehold, NJ 07728

**Attendance: Nina Anderson, Sondra Cannon, Mary Lee Gilmore, Darryl Hughes, Sherri West, Linda Zucaro**

- I. Call to Order – Salute to the Flag at 3:35PM.**
- II. Approval of March 2015 Meeting Minutes – approved unanimously.**
- III. Treasurer’s Report- Sondra reported that there was still no firm budget, but we should know soon as the Freeholders finalized the county’s budget recently. There are two outstanding bills—for visor card printing and the program for the Teasley Award, which leaves us with a negative budget of \$231.55. We will also incur some expenses for the June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting as refreshments are being served.**
- IV. Standing Committees and Support Teams**
  - a. Membership – no report.**
  - b. Communications – no report.**
  - c. Incident Response and reporting – no report.**
  - d. Resource Development – no report. Darryl spoke with Rosa and reported that she will concentrate on identifying two or three events per quarter and publicizing those to the membership.**
- V. Unfinished Business:**
  - 1. Planning for the Fall Diversity Program – October 5th, from 6-8 PM, hopefully at the Eastern Branch Learning Center in Neptune. Sondra has submitted a request for the location. Darryl talked with his vice president at Meridian to speak at the meeting on unconscious bias and Nina Anderson has recommended a Monmouth University professor to speak as well. Linda added some details from the April meeting, with members being assigned to working teams. Darryl will take the lead on a rough outline for the program, along with Sondra Cannon, Ronan Neuman, Nina Anderson, and Rosa Lee, with Linda reminding him of our original goal, to have a participatory dialogue with the audience in attendance. A second team will work on developing a list of**

participants from various interest groups throughout Monmouth County, comprised of Linda Zucaro, taking the lead, and Ricky Pierce, Ted Lee, Sherri West, and Carolyn and John Schwebel. Linda brought up the status of the Facebook page, which was created some years ago by members who are no longer active. Sondra offered to contact Kendall Baldwin to ask her about its maintenance. More names and contact information for the audience are still needed, and she asked Mary Lee Gilmore to help with the invitees. Sondra would also like the topic and the nature and structure of the dialogue so she can disseminate information to the Student Life Board so as to publicize to student groups on campus. Sherri will once again ask members for interested groups and individuals in their network to comprise the audience for the event.

2. The Earl Teasley Humanitarian Award presentation is scheduled for June – the bulletin and program have been changed accordingly. Violeta Peters has been informed and will be contacted again to make sure she will be present, Darryl Hughes will be the emcee, Rosa Lee will introduce Violeta, and others will also speak. Refreshments will also be provided.
  3. Program on Homelessness – a poll was taken of the membership on the prospective date, with either Aug. 3rd or Dec. 8th being the choices. Only 5 people responded, with a slight preference for Dec. 8th. In the meantime Jeff Schwartz wrote to say that speaker Taiisa Kelly would prefer Aug. 3rd. A brief discussion followed, and it was decided to confirm the date and try to get a good turnout.
  4. Member Attendance – Linda mentioned that no one has checked the annual attendance of members for some time, so Sherri will check the roster and report to Linda a week before the June meeting.
- VI. **New Business: Nominating Committee Appointments Officers** – Darryl mentioned that the committee developed a slate of potential offices and they are the following: Chair, Sami Elmansoury; Vice Chair, Sherri West; Secretary, Mary Lee Gilmore; and Treasurer, Sondra Cannon. Other suggestions were given and Darryl will send an email to prospective candidates. The election will take place at the brief business meeting on June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- VII. **Adjournment** – the meeting was adjourned at 4:45PM

Submitted by: Sherri West