MONMOUTH COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Full Commission Meeting
Tuesday, October 11, 2016 3:30 – 5:00PM
Agriculture Building
4000 Kozloski Road, Freehold, NJ 07728

Attendance: Rosa Lee, Linda Zucaro, Jeff Delaney, Carolyn Schwebel, John Schwebel, Jeffrey Schwartz, Patrick Collum, Sherri West, Robert Williams, Darryl Hughes and Sondra Cannon.

The meeting was called to order at 3:33 pm followed by the salute to the flag.

There were no minutes from an August meeting as there was no meeting due to the lack of a quorum. The June minutes were approved as previously distributed (West, Schwartz).

There were no reports from Standing Committees.

Unfinished Business: there was good discussion on the coming December Full Commission meeting to discuss the future of the commission. Pat Collum volunteered to frame an Evite invitation to each member requesting an RSVP. Linda Zucaro volunteered to phone any member that did not reply in order to encourage optimum attendance. It was determined that the December meeting would be primarily for discussion among MCHRC members, with the understanding that, if it is decided to continue, another session would be held for the wider community to determine relevant activities for the commission to pursue. At this meeting there was a wide-ranging discussion - almost a preliminary to December - as to what should be covered, what are the current obstacles to participation and how these can be overcome, etc. Members present were urged to formulate ideas as to what should be raised in December and come prepared with any ideas/proposals that would be relevant.

Sondra Cannon presented the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$1368.65 as of 10/11/16 (Attached).

There were a number of announcements of upcoming events:

The Latino American Awards banquet will be held on Friday, October 14.

CHHANGE at its banquet on October 26 will be honoring Meridian Health Systems.

The New Jersey Human Rights Council will hold its annual conference on November 16 and the theme will be police/community relations.

On October 26, the League of Women Voters will hold a County Candidates Forum at the headquarters of the Monmouth County Library.

Our VP Sherri West will moderate a program, Rising Above Hate, at Brookdale from 11:45 to 1:15 on October 20.

Lastly John Schwebel volunteered to compile and distribute a list of 2017 meeting dates should the Commission decide to continue.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 pm.

Submitted by Linda Zucaro