

Emergency Human Rights Commission Meeting  
St Cloud Public Library Rm 268

Mon. Aug 10, 2015  
5 pm – 6 pm

Present: Eunice Aadjei, Judy Foster, Ray Maier, Rachel Wexelbaum

Community Relations with the St Cloud Human Rights Office: Rachel reported on recent events at St Cloud State University, and interactions with St Cloud State University faculty, staff, and administrators and the Human Rights Office. Eunice will schedule a meeting for the Human Rights Commission to meet with Rich and discuss.

Meeting with Rich: The Human Rights Commission composed a list of talking points for the upcoming meeting with Rich about community relations and other issues.

Housing Working Group: Judy asked the Commissioners for guidance. The Commissioners agreed that the Housing Working Group should not have another forum until they have something concrete to present. Judy will take that recommendation back to the working group. Judy is concerned about the lack of diversity on the working group and asked the Commissioners to let people know that the group needs members. Getting all members of the working group to come together to meet has been a challenge. Judy would like the working group to focus on writing proposals and making recommendations to City Council. The next working group meeting is Thursday August 13.

Budget: The Human Rights Commission does not actually have the \$3,000 that Mike Williams said that we have. In other words, there is no official line budget at the city or state level for Human Rights Commission activity. Ray got reimbursed for his expenses, though. Eunice is going to contact Mike to let him know that she is going to submit the Human Rights Commission budget directly to the state Human Rights Office to see if we can get any money. It is possible (but not probable) that we may be able to get some money from the Mayor's discretionary funds. In the meantime, Eunice will contact Cara at Independent Lifestyles to find out how we can access our remaining funds there to at least pay for a booth at St Cloud Pride.

Meeting adjourned 5:45 pm