



Carbondale Human Relations Commission

Minutes – December 4, 2017

Carbondale Civic Center - 5:00pm

Commissioners Present: Joseph Brown, Jerrold Hennrich, Karriem Shariati, Dora Weaver, Ted Gutierrez

Commissioners (Excused): Stephanie Brown

Commissioners (Unexcused): Joshua Bowens

Guest Present: Elius Reed

SIU-C Dept. of Public Safety Representative: None

Study Circles Staff: Sarah Heyer

Staff Present: Chief Jeff Grubbs, Commission Liaison Courtney Beverly

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:07p.m. by Chair Hennrich.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Joseph Brown and seconded by Commissioner Weaver to approve the minutes from the November 6, 2017 meeting. Motion carried. All Voted Aye. Corrections:

ANNOUNCEMENT

Commissioner Gutierrez mentioned that November 28, 2017 was Giving Tuesday for Southern Illinois.

Elius Reed announced that the SIU Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for December 13th and 14th beginning at 1:30p.m. and is located at Southern Illinois University Student Center.

Elius Reed mentioned that the I Can Read program has relocated to the Carbondale Elementary District 95.

Sarah Heyer announced that the Race Unity Group meeting will be held on December 5, 2017.

December 6, 2017 the Neighborhood Action Group meeting will be held on December 6, 2017 beginning at 5:00p.m.

Sarah Heyer announced that December 10, 2017 is Human Rights Day.

The Race Unity Group will receive an award from the United Nations Association of Southern Illinois.

The Racial Justice Coalition meeting will be held on December 7, 2017 beginning at 7:00p.m.

On December 12, 2017 the State of the City Address for Carbondale, IL.

Elius Reed mentioned that Channel 3 News reported that the City of Carbondale is taking suggestions about building an additional park in Carbondale, IL.

Chair Hennrich announced that any donations for the Coats for Kids Program Drive need to be turned in by December 11, 2017 to the Carbondale Police Department.

OLD BUSINESS

None To Report

ISSUES

None To Report

Public Education/HRC Website

Chair Hennrich requested all Commissioners to review their website biography for updates.

Commissioner Gutierrez will present on the Jackson County Mass Transit for January 8, 2018 Human Relations Commission meeting.

Commissioner Shariati discussed creating a Human Relations Commission table for the upcoming SIU 2018 RSO Fair.

Public Forums/Events

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Elius Reed addressed the decline of student attendance during the SIU Basketball game.

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Joseph Brown and Commissioner Shariati discussed education and recruitment for Southern Illinois University.

Chair Hennrich mentioned new member recruitment for the Carbondale Human Relation Commission.

PROCESS ASSESSMENT

Sparrow Coalition Report

None To Report

Women For Change

None To Report

Neighborhood Action Group Report

Sarah Heyer announced that the Neighborhood Action Group will be meeting on December 6, 2017 beginning at 5:00p.m.

Non-Violent Carbondale Project Report

None To Report

Racial Justice Coalition

Sarah Heyer announced that the Racial Justice Coalition will be meeting on December 7, 2017.

Law Enforcement

None To Report

Items for City Council

None

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting – January 8, 2018. There being no further business, Chair Jerrold Hennrich closed the meeting to adjourn. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:22p.m.

Recorded by Courtney Beverly _____