

HUTCHINSON  
*Human Relations*  
COMMISSION

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**MINUTES**  
**HUTCHINSON HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**  
**Wednesday, January 15, 2020**  
**City Hall - Council Chambers Conference Room**

1. **Call to Order** – Present were; Myer, Russell-Iverson, Cowser, Boyd and Juma, Absent was Reiss, Johnson and Nisly.
2. **Oral Communications by Audience**  
Sara Blake from the Community Foundation was present, and the Commission thanked her for The Foundation's support of the Commission's upcoming Workshop Deconstructing Equity
3. **Approval of Minutes** – Motion to approved Minutes from the December 18, 2019 was made by Cowser and Seconded by Meyer
4. **Unfinished Business**

**Recap of the December Training:**

Chair Russell-Iverson stated that it was a highly informative session. Juma encouraged those who missed should consider taking discussion training. Chair agreed.

**Internal Commission Operation - meetings, functions, responsibilities & training:**

HRO Provided an updated copy of the document based on the recommendations of the commission. Chair asked about the language regarding covered diverse groups. HRO reported discussing the info with City Attorney and was advised to keep the language close to the City Code for continuity.

Discussion ensued about the addition of #3 in section 1060 which indicates the importance for commissioners to educate themselves regarding issues of relevance to the commission. All agreed that this addition was important to the work and success of the commission HRO advised would send final copy via email for any further discussions but would hold vote to approve at next meeting.

**Survey Reports:**

HRO shared some of the responses from the Survey and advised that a final push will be going to the MLK day and the Community Resource Event that is slated to be hosted by the Library January 20.

Discussion ensued about the resources event and the details of the “pop-up services day” have been a bit unclear. Juma advised he would talk with the Library directly to inquire what was happening with the event.

**Deconstructing Equity Workshop:**

HRO shared two proposals presented to help with the Story Sharing effort that will follow the workshop over the course of 10 -12 months. Commissioners asked that they have a separate meeting to vote on the proposals presented so that they could review deeper. HRO advised that they would be sent email copies of the proposals, but they would need to review and recommend their choices by end of next week (January 24, 2020)

HRO shared the event day outline and asked for volunteers to help with the registration table, and preparation for the day.

**5. New Business**

Commissioner Openings – Two candidates attended and shared a bit about why they were interested in joining the commission. Candidates were Anthony Frischenmeyer and Auhneyce Grissom

Commission felt that both candidates were a good fit for open positions on the Board and recommended that we recommend them to the Mayor for appointment.

**6. Communications and Comments**

**Commissioners Reports** - No Commissioner Reports

**HRO Activity Report** - HRO Shared about several upcoming activities and provided an update on the Census Count Committee efforts

**7. Adjournment** – Motioned by Cowser, Seconded by Russell-Iverson all in favor

Minutes prepared by Datjaeda Moore, Human Relations Officer

**Next Meeting: February 19, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.  
City Hall – Council Chambers Conference Room**