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**AGENDA  
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**April 4, 2017  
6:30 p.m.**

**MEMBERS**

Justin Jones, Chair, District 3  
Mandip Samra, Vice Chair, District 7  
Jackie Broxton, District 1  
Sahag Yedalian, District 2  
Emmell Beech, District 4  
Nat Nehdar, District 5  
Warren Sata, District 6  
Emma Oshagan, At Large  
Brandon Lamar, Mayor

**STAFF**

Jarvis Emerson, Staff Liaison  
Araceli López Mellem, Recording Secretary

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CITY OF PASADENA  
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, April 4, 2017  
6:30 P.M.  
JACKIE ROBINSON COMMUNITY CENTER  
1020 NORTH FAIR OAKS AVENUE  
PASADENA, CA 91103**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER; WELCOME; ROLL CALL**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**  
Please limit comments to 3 minutes per speaker.
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES, March 7, 2017\***
- 4. OLD BUSINESS**  
**ACTION ITEM**
  - **DISCUSSION OF ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST**
  - **DISCUSSION OF PEACE THROUGH MUSIC AND ART CONCERT**
  - **DISCUSSION OF COMMISSION PARTICIPATION IN MOSQUES AND PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT EVENT**
  - **ANNUAL AWARDS NOMINATING COMMITTEE UPDATE**
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**  
None.
- 6. REPORTS, COMMENTS, UPDATES**  
**INFORMATION ONLY (unless otherwise noted)**
  - A. Report from Chair**
  - B. Ad Hoc Committee Reports**
    - **Accountability Committee**

- **Education Committee**
- **Events Committee**
- **Forums Committee**
- **Grants & Funding Committee**
- **HRC Academy Committee**
- **Outreach Committee**
- **Policy Committee**
- **HRC Awards Nominating Committee**

**C. Commissioner Announcements/Comments**

**D. Staff Updates/Reports**

**7. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

\*Attachment



Justin Jones, Chair  
Pasadena Human Relations Commission

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**3.**  
**Minutes of March 7, 2017**

**\*MINUTES \***



**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**

**JACKIE ROBINSON COMMUNITY CENTER  
1020 NORTH FAIR OAKS AVENUE  
PASADENA, CA 91103**

**March 7, 2017**

**6:30 P.M.**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Vice Chair Mandip Samra, Emmell Beech, Nat Nehdar, Warren Sata, Emma Oshagan, Brandon Lamar

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:**

Justin Jones (excused), Jackie Broxton (excused), Sahag Yedalian (absent)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jarvis Emerson, Araceli López Mellem

**1. CALL TO ORDER; WELCOME; ROLL CALL**

Vice Chair Mandip Samra called the regular meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. and welcomed everyone. Jarvis Emerson called the roll. A quorum was established for the Commission.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

No public comment.

**3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES, January 24, 2017\***

After review, it was moved (Nehdar) and seconded (Oshagan) to approve the Minutes of March 7, 2017. (Motion carried) (Absent: Jones, Broxton, Yedalian) (Abstain: Beech, Lamar)

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

**ACTION ITEM**

**• DISCUSSION OF COMMISSION PARTICIPATION IN MOSQUES AND PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT EVENT**

Commissioner Nehdar provided the Commission with background information on the event and proposed that the Commission co-sponsor which would not have a fiscal impact. After discussion, it was moved (Lamar) and seconded (Sata) that the Commission table this topic until a future meeting when more Commissioners are in present. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Jones, Broxton, Yedalian)

(Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Jones, Broxton, Yedalian)

- **DISCUSSION OF NOMINATIONS FOR ANNUAL AWARDS; RAYMOND J. PITTS, HARRY SHELDON, MODEL OF UNITY**

Commissioner Nehdar presented two nominations for awards. After discussion, it was moved (Samra) and seconded (Sata) to establish a Nominations Committee for the annual awards. Commissioners Sata, Nehdar, and Samra will serve on the committee. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Jones, Broxton, Yedalian)

It was also moved (Samra) and seconded (Nehdar), April 4, 2017 deadline for submissions for annual awards. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Jones, Broxton, Yedalian)

- **ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST**

After discussion, it was moved (Sata) and seconded (Nehdar) to have the contest run from March 17-April 7, 2017. It was also moved (Nehdar) and (Beech) to keep the details of the flyer the same. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Jones, Broxton, Yedalian)

It was also moved (Nehdar) and seconded (Samra) to keep the same dollar amounts for the prizes as last year. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Jones, Broxton, Yedalian)

### **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COMMISSION BROCHURE**

After discussion and, it was moved (Lamar) and seconded (Sata) to approve the Commission brochure with the following amendment: addition of Commissioner Oshagan. (Motion carried unanimously) (Absent: Jones, Broxton, Yedalian)

## **5. REPORTS, COMMENTS, UPDATES** **INFORMATION ONLY (unless otherwise noted)**

### **E. Report from Chair**

Vice Chair Samra asked for an update on the upcoming Peace Through Music and Arts event. Commissioner Nehdar reported that the event is scheduled to take place on April 22, 2017 at the Jackie Robinson Center Auditorium from 7:30pm to 9:00pm.

### **F. Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

- **Accountability Committee**

No report.

- **Education Committee**

No report.

- **Events Committee**

Discussion of upcoming events took place under New Business.

- **Forums Committee**

No report.

- **Grants & Funding Committee**

Vice Chair Samra reported that there are currently not many grant opportunities.

- **HRC Academy Committee**  
No report.
  
- **Outreach Committee**  
No report.
  
- **Policy Committee**  
No report.

**G. Commissioner Announcements/Comments**

None.

**H. Staff Updates/Reports**

Black History Parade has been rescheduled to March 18, 2017. The festival will take place in June 17, 2017. March 12, 2017 is the Black History Women's Tea and the Jubilee is scheduled to take place on March 19, 2017.

**6. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS**

None.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved (Lamar) and seconded (Oshagan) to adjourn the meeting. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Jones, Broxton, Yedalian) The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

  
Araceli López Mellem, Recording Secretary  
Human Services & Recreation Department