

Snohomish County Commission on Human Rights Minutes of May 6, 2021 meeting

1. ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order and Roll Call:

Meeting called to order at: 6:03, by the Commission Chair, Courtney Wooten facilitation moved to Carin Chase

Commissioners Present:

Courtney Wooten, Carin Chase and Noah Rui

Commissioners not present:

Carolyn Bennett and Dr. Gloria Ngezaho

Commission Liaison present:

Sherry Cuddy

County and Public Attendees:

Maralyn Chase

2. WELCOME – Land Acknowledgement

Carin Chase facilitated the land acknowledgement

3. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

Marilyn Chase – “glad to see *World Day for Cultural Diversity and Dialogue Development* part of the ongoing conversation.”

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Carin Chase asked for motion to approve the agenda.

Noah Rui made motion to approve the May 6, 2021 agenda, 2nd Courtney. Approved unanimously

5. APPROVAL OF April 1, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

Carin Chase asked for motion to approve the April 1, 2021 minutes

Noah Rui made motion to approve minutes as written, Courtney Wooten 2nd. Approved unanimously

6. NEW BUSINESS

Process for Response to Actions Within Community

On hold until June 3, 2021 – Commissioners are requested to bring ideas on how the process should work.

7. ONGOING COMMISSION BUSINESS

• Hate Speech - Discussion

On hold until June 3, 2021 – important topic – would like more commissioners involved in the conversation

• 2021 World Day for Cultural Diversity and Dialogue Development

Carin Chase contacted Edmonds Community College; due to vacant positions they are unable to host an event this year. They will help promote other community events.

- **Chair Report – forgo report in lieu of inability to talk**
SnoCo HRC Facebook Page Posting for May 2021
[World Day for Cultural Diversity and Dialogue Development](#) educational and virtual/ in person events
IAHORA, [UNESCO](#) and [UN Human Rights](#)
[C3](#) events to include “Art Therapy for BIPOC”
[Asian Pacific American Heritage Month](#)
[National Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls Day](#)

Noah Rui made motion to approve posting the events provided and ongoing for IAHORA and UN Human Rights reposts. 2nd Courtney Wooten; passed unanimously

- **Liaison Report**
Re-Appointment for District 4 – waiting for District 4 reply
District 2 – new appointment of candidate in progress
Member at Large Position 2 – appointment of candidate in progress
IAHORA membership renewal – Carin to provide liaison membership id for renewal.
Liaison notified Noah Rui and Courtney Wooten of terms expiring June 30, 2021. Liaison will notify Gloria Ngezaho of expiring term. Commissioners seeking re-appointment need to complete new nomination form and mark 1st re-appointment and contact their representative. Nomination forms due by May 24, 2021. With Council starting the budget process, we need to have the process complete by the first week of June. Amendment to bylaws requires a resolution and review one month prior to vote for adoption. Vote scheduled for July 2021.
Commission requests 2022 budget ask of \$5,000. Liaison to submit request.
Noah Rui reminded liaison waiting on business cards.
- **Commissioner Reports**
Legislative Summary to Council – need to set a meeting
Retreat of 4hrs to be discussed at June 3, 2021 meeting – to be held via Zoom
- **Agenda items for next meeting**
Welcome of new commissioners
2019 and 2020 Reports to County Council
Hate Speech discussion
Amended Bylaw review and resolution
Commission Retreat

8. CURRENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Snohomish County Human Rights Commission**
2021 World Day for Cultural Diversity and Dialogue – see links above to other community and national information
2021 International Human Rights Day – virtual event in planning
- **Community Sponsored Events**
Commissioners will forward community partner’s events for posting to Facebook and website.

9. COMMUNITY INFORMATION

[Black Healing Fund](#)

[Text to 911 for Snohomish County](#)

Snohomish County Human Trafficking Hotline; 425-258-9037

Snohomish County Tip Line; 425-388-3845

[Domestic Violence Services Snohomish County](#); 425-25-ABUSE (425-252-2873)

[Dawson’s Place Child Advocacy Center](#); 425-789-3000

National Human Trafficking Resource Center 888-373-7888

United Nations – [2021 Recover Better; Stand up for someone’s rights today](#) – Take action

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Maralyn Chase spoke of the Proud Boys incident in Salem, OR park. Would like to volunteer to serve on a committee or task force if the commission creates.

Carin Chase showed map from Southern Poverty Law Center – showing 22 known hate groups in WA.

11. MEETING SCHEDULE

The next meeting scheduled for **Thursday June 3, 2021**

Regular monthly meetings of the Snohomish County Commission on Human Rights will be held on the first Thursday of each month from 6:00pm to 8:00pm, via Zoom until further notice.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:51pm. Motion: Noah Rui; 2nd Courtney Wooten, agreed unanimously.