

**Human Rights Commission  
March 3, 2015 Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Amanda Andrade, Dalton Calcote, Scott Dean, and Persephone Dakopolos.

**Excused Absence:** Stacey Smith and Elizabeth Miller.

**Staff Present:** Adam Kruse – Law Department.

**Others Present:** Eric Wilson – MO Bar Attorney and Jordan Hoyt - Presenter from the MU School of Public Health.

**Members of the public present.**

- I. **Call to Order/Introductions:** Dean called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM
- II. **Approval of Agenda:** Andrade moved to approve an amended agenda with “HREP” moved to the first items under New Business. Her motion was seconded by Calcote and passed unanimously.
- III. **Approval of February 3, 2015 Meeting Minutes:** Calcote moved to approve February 3, 2015 meeting minutes. His motion was seconded by Andrade and passed unanimously.
- IV. **Old Business:**
  - a. **Ongoing Projects Update:**
    - i. **World Religion Series update** – Dean said approximately 35 people were in attendance at the last session. The series is going very well.
  - b. **HRC Annual Report:** Andrade made a motion to approve the 2014 Annual Report subject to cosmetic changes. Calcote seconds and the motion passes unanimously.
- V. **New Business:**
  - a. **HREP: The Homestretch screening (Jordan Hoyt, MU School of Public Health):** Jordan Hoyt presents on the proposal. This movie screening is part of public health week. The venue would be Forum 8 to make it more accessible to the public, rather than on campus. They are working with the Columbia Health Department and will advertise at Mizzou, the Public Health Department is posting information at their location, the gocolumbiamo website will contain information and the Forum 8 will also advertise.

Andrade makes a motion to approve the HREP funding. Her motion is seconded by Dakopolos. Dean abstains. The motion passes with Andrade, Calcote and Dakopolos voting for the motion.
  - b. **Missouri Criminal Code Revisions (Eric Wilson, Legislative Counsel, The Missouri Bar):** Eric Wilson presents on the criminal code revisions in 2014. He is a lobbyist for the Missouri Bar.
  - c. **Term Limits:** Dean is hitting his term limit on the Human Rights Commission. There was discussion at the last Commission meeting about doing away with term limits. Andrade makes a motion to have Dean prepare a report to City council to eliminate term limits. Calcote seconds and it passes unanimously. Dean said initially there were no term limits and they were put in place in response to a situation. Dean will also bring this topic to the Citizens Police Review Board.

**d. Election Secretary:** Table for one month to review bylaws.

**e. Future Agenda Topics:** Dean said the Youth Advisory Council will have their first meeting on Tuesday, March 10. Dean plans to stop by and comment that the Human Rights Commission would like to have someone from their Council on the Commission.

**VI. Staff Reports:**

**a. Law Department:** None.

**VII. Commission Reports:**

**a. Columbia Citizen Police Review Board:** Dean said they are finishing up the addendum to their Annual Report, discussing the process that they use to review the complaints in real time, and they have a new case.

**b. Columbia Fair Housing Seminar:** Mr. Kruse said they are going to partner with the Columbia Board of Realtors, Columbia Apartment Association, and Columbia Housing Authority to put on a Fair Housing Seminar sometime in April. Currently they are picking speakers and topics for the event. 70 people attended last year.

**c. Disabilities Commission:** None.

**d. Other Reports:** Dean said the Commission will need to have someone from the Commission join the Columbia Values Diversity Celebration group.

**VIII. Public Comments:** None.

**IX. Commissioner Comments:** None.

**X. Closed Session to Discuss Pending Cases Pursuant to Section 610.021 (1) RSMo:** Calcote made a motion to move to closed session to discuss pending cases pursuant to RSMo § 610.021(1) at 6:40 PM. Calcote called the roll with the following vote: Calcote – Aye, Dakopolos – Aye, Andrade – Aye, and Dean – Aye.

**XI. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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