

WASHINGTON STATE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
COMMISSION MEETING
JUNE 24, 2015 @ 5:00PM
OASIS
2215 PACIFIC AVENUE
TACOMA, WA 98402

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Commissioners: Steve Hunt, Chair; Clarence Henderson, Commissioner; Lenore Three Stars, Commissioner; Charlene Strong, Commissioner

Staff: Sharon Ortiz, Executive Director; Cheryl Strobert, Asst. Director; Stacia Hollar, AAG; Laura Lindstrand, Policy Analyst; Marissa Herrera, CSS

OPENING AND WELCOME

Chair Hunt called the meeting to order at 5:06PM.

MINUTES

Commissioners voted to adopt May 28, 2015 meeting minutes; motion carried.

CASE CLOSURES

Commissioners voted to adopt case closures; motion carried.

Director Ortiz stated there will be a special Commission meeting to approve housing cases on June 30, 2015; need three Commissioners available.

Chair Hunt, Commissioner Strong and Commissioner Henderson will be available to participate in June 30th meeting.

ED REPORT

Director Ortiz provided budget information to Commissioners; provide update on IT, rebuilding website; HUD training will be in Birmingham; Sept. 3rd HUD conference; went over various meetings and conferences attended.

COMMISSIONER REPORTING

Commissioner Strong participated in equality event; EEOC Homeland Security, well attended ; Spoke June 4th.

Commissioner Henderson participated in the Access to Justice Conference in Wenatchee, goo experience, lots of information; volunteer legal services – LL/T laws; made connection with the Seattle Human Rights Commission.

Chair Hunt attended the U Visa training in Yakima.

AAG UPDATES, STACIA HOLLAR

AAG Hollar provided update on circuit court Teamsters v. DOC; designate positions to female only.

RULE MAKING, LAURA LINDSTRAND

Policy Analyst Lindstrand went over rule making public hearing being held at 6pm; rules have been being developed over the past couple years.

COVERAGE IN SPOKANE

Director Ortiz informed Commissioners need manager in Spokane; 50% of time spent; will be in Spokane next week.

EDUCATION PROJECT

Commissioner Henderson stated the project is complete; need to find schools.

Director Ortiz will speak with Spokane school district.

Commissioner Strong will speak with Everett school district.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:36PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Skinner
Commission Clerk