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MINUTES
Oregon Commission on Black Affairs
Wednesday, July 22, 2009
6 – 8 PM
Chair Rice's Home
525 N. Baldwin St.
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ATTENDEES

Chair: Everette Rice
Vice Chair: Clifford Walker
Commissioners: Jennifer Doncan, Sen. Rod Monroe, Phyllis Rand (*teleconference*), Carlos Jermaine Richard, Mariahm Stephenson, Willie Woolfok (*teleconference*)
Staff: Joy Howard (*teleconference*)

I. Call to Order

Chair Rice called the meeting to order at 6:14 PM.

II. Approval of June 19, 2009 minutes

Vice Chair Walker motioned, Commissioner Rand seconded, and minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Nomination and election of Chair and Vice-Chair for the new year

1) Chair:

a) Nominations:

- i. Commissioner Doncan nominated Commissioner Walker.
Commissioner Walker accepted nomination.

b) Election:

- i. Senator Monroe moved to close nominations for Chair and vote.
- ii. Election of Commissioner Walker as new Chair approved unanimously.

2) Vice-Chair –

a) Nominations:

- i. Commissioner Doncan nominated Commissioner Rice. Commissioner Rice accepted nomination.

b) Election:

- i. Commissioner Walker moved to close nominations for Commissioner and vote.
- ii. Election of Commissioner Rice as new Vice Chair approved unanimously.

IV. OCBA Priorities

1) [Project Clean Slate](#)

- a) Commissioner Richard would like to partner with Roy Jay to see how the commission can help with the project.
 - i. **Action:** Invite Roy Jay to come speak at a future commission meeting
- b) **Lead Commissioner:** Carlos Jermaine Richard

2) Stimulus Funds

- a) Early Childhood Education
 - i. **Lead Commissioner:** Mariahm Stephenson
- b) New Hires (older workers)
 - i. **Action:** Invite Dr. Arturo to speak to commission about the stimulus money available for minority education
 - ii. **Lead Commissioner:** Jennifer Doncan
- c) Disparity in funds to minorities (ODOT Report)
[ODOT Disparity Study Overview](#)
 - i. **Action:** OCBA host a meeting with other organizations to discuss the disbursement of funds to minorities as outlined in the ODOT report.
 - a) Invitees: Michael Cobb, Angela Ramos, John Baker, Danny Santos, underserved businesses/community members
 - ii. **Action:** Vice Chair Rice will draft a letter with specific question of how the President's stimulus money being used, in particular, accountability factors to black communities
 - iii. **Lead Commissioner:** Willie Woolfolk

3) Police Racial Profiling

- a) **Lead Commissioner:** Clifford Walker

4) Health Care

- a) Partner with organizations (e.g., Dr. Bruce Goldberg and DHS Multicultural Health, Oregon Healthy Kids, etc.) to identify issues (e.g., diabetes, childhood obesity) and ways OCBA can help
- b) **Vote:** It was motioned and approved unanimously that Commissioner Stephenson will draft and Senator Monroe will review a letter to editors of local newspapers urging Congress to work with President Obama to pass the Health Care Reform bill. OACO will send the finalized letter to media outlets
- c) **Lead Commissioner:** Phyllis Rand

MOTION:

- 1) Senator Monroe made a motion to adopt the 2009-2010 OCBA Priorities. Commissioner Stephenson seconded, approved unanimously.
- 2) Priorities will be standing agenda items at every meeting with updates from the lead commissioner.

V. 2009-2010 meeting dates, time, and location

1) Dates:

- a) With the exception of August (fourth Saturday), all meetings will occur on the third Saturday of every month.
 - i. August 22, 2009
 - ii. September 19, 2009
 - iii. October 2009 – to be announced
 - iv. November 21, 2009
 - v. December 19, 2009
 - vi. January 16, 2010
 - vii. February 20, 2010

- viii. March 20, 2010
- ix. April 17, 2010
- x. May 15, 2010
- xi. June 19, 2010
- xii. July 15, 2010

2) Time:

- a) 7:00-9:00 AM

3) Location:

- a) A definite location for future meetings was not determined
 - i. August – Portland
 - a) **Action:** Vice Chair Rice will try to reserve a room at the Portland Cascade Campus (PCC). He will also get information about videoconference capabilities at PCC.
 - ii. October – community forum Southern Oregon
 - a) **Action:** Commissioners will check their availability and decide at the August OCBA meeting what date and time to have the forum.

VI. Adjournment at 8:30 PM