## Social Service Human Relations Board Minutes of the Special Meeting, Thursday, September 13, 2012

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL</u> President Wasko called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. Present were: Vice-President Villareal, members Biggs, and Radding Absent was member Dailey

#### 2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Special Meeting, August 16, 2012 were approved as corrected. M/S Radding / Biggs Unanimous

#### 3. **AGENDA ITEMS**

# 3-A. RECOGNITION OF SERVICE TO THE BOARD BY OUTGOING MEMBERS NIELSEN, HOLDER AND DAILEY.

President Wasko thanked former Board member Zoe Holder for joining us and proceeded to read a proclamation commending her and thanking her for her loyal service to the City of Alameda from October 2010 through June 2012. (Proclamation attached) Members then each expressed their appreciation for her work with the Board, citing her dedication to Alameda's diverse population, her advocacy for the most under-represented in our community, and her sensitivity to their needs. Vice-President Villareal shared that Zoe had been a valued partner to him on the Alamedans Together Against Hate Workgroup, citing the many projects they had worked together on. Her participation with the Alameda Collaborative for Children, Youth, and their Families, and work on the recent Community Needs Survey were also recognized.

Ms. Holder thanked the Board for their kind words, and shared that she will continue to work parttime at the Alameda Multi-Cultural Center, and looks forward to supporting the work of the Board as she is able.

A Motion and second (M/S Biggs / Villareal) was made to approve to Resolution recognizing Zoe Holder for her service to the Board. Unanimous.

Angie Watson-Hajjem – ECHO was present and **5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS** was taken out of order. She share results of recent and past ECHO reports on housing discrimination, and was informed of the questions relating to discrimination in our survey (Copies of the ECHO reports are available).

#### 3-B. WORKGROUP PROGRESS REPORTS

#### **Assessment and Awareness Workgroup**

President Wasko shared the most recent draft of the survey report. She took the Board through the report explaining that she had combined the recommendations for each question and put them in a separate "Summary recommendations". She asked for input regarding the inclusion of charts and graphs for each section, and asked that members take the draft home to read, and send her suggestions as to changes to be made before the final report is presented to the Mayor and Council at the October 25 joint meeting. Given the broad range of data collected, it was agreed that the Board should ask the Mayor and Council to encourage the City's Boards and Commissions to review data specific to their mission, and use it as a tool. The Workgroup will meet one more time before the joint meeting.

#### **Resource Sharing Workgroup**

Member Biggs shared that he had attended a meeting to discuss an Alameda County "Disaster Preparedness Pilot Project" regarding how to better serve those most in need in the event of a disaster and that Alameda might have an opportunity to be one of the communities involved in the project. He suggested that the committee working on this project make a presentation to the Board in the near future.

#### **Alamedans Together Against Hate Workgroup**

Member Villareal shared that the workgroup had not met since the last meeting. He has met with Assistant AUSD Superintendent Sean McPhetridge regarding institutionalizing Harvey Milk Day in our schools, and has also been invited by Sean to sit in on a LGBTQ Round Table.

## 4. <u>BOARD/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS, NON-AGENDA</u>

President Wasko reminded everyone about the November 3, 2012 100 Best C ommunities for Young People Award event and encouraged their participation.

### 5. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

#### 6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn M/S Biggs / Villareal Unanimous Meeting adjourned at 8:25
Respectfully Submitted: Jim Franz – Secretary

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