

HUMBOLDT COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

825 Fifth Street, Room 1A Eureka, California 95501

(VIRTUAL MEETING BY ZOOM)

Regular Meeting Agenda

June 4, 2020 5:00 pm -7:00 pm

I. Call to order: 5 pm

II. ROLL CALL: 5:01 pm 3 min)

Lelehnia DuBois, Jim Glover, Carol Larsen, Byrd Lochtie, Steven Loreus, Mary Lyons, Larry Miller, Eddie Morgan, Erin Rowe, Jonnie Rush, Toby Vanlandingham

III. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: 5:05 pm (3 min)

May 7, 2020

IV. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS 5:08 pm (1 min)

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS: 5:10 pm (12 min)

*Recognition and introduction of guests and visitors. Public is invited to speak regarding matters **not** on the agenda. Comments received by email will be read by the Chair or if presented by ZOOM , Facebook Live, will be limited to **three minutes**. Pursuant to Ralph M. Brown Act, Commission may not act on an item not appearing on the agenda.*

If a member of the public speaks and requests assistance on a non-agenda subject, the Commission may not take any action or propose any solutions, but the citizen(s) may be given a resource card for contact information relevant to their issue, the citizen(s) may be given a complaint intake form for purposes of adding to a future agenda of the next regular HRC meeting, and finally an individual commissioner may speak to the citizen(s) apart from the meeting and recommend steps they might take.

Members of the public will each be allowed to speak on agenda items once during discussion, usually at the end of commissioner comments and prior to any action or vote by the commission. Time to speak will be closely monitored. (3 minutes per person)

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humboldt.humanrights@gmail.com.

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85752926871?pwd=RDBJYW1nNG1JRmZNMFMNVBKT0RDQT09> to join the meeting Pursuant to the Brown Act, the commission may not act on an item that does not appear on the agenda. The public will be allowed to address agenda items by email at:

humboldt.humanrights@gmail.com or with ZOOM submissions received at the conclusion of general commission discussion.

VI. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS: 5:25 pm (15 min)

a) Emails, Regular Mail, Phone Calls: (2 min)

Report on emails, regular mail, and phone calls received by Commission.
Umpqua Statement, letter from Hollie Klingel

b) All other announcements and communications: (10 min)

Items should be brief and/or submitted to Secretary for inclusion in agenda.
Chair is preparing Annual Report to BOS, your thoughts and input encouraged.

c) Message Line: (3 min)

Current monitoring report **(Glover/Lochtie)**

May 1-15 _____ Glover _____

May 16-31 _____ DuBois _____

June 1-15 _____ Glover _____

June 16-30 _____

July 1-15 _____

July 16-31 _____

Volunteers to represent the HRC upon inmate requests to listen to their complaints / issues and to respond with appropriate actions or recommendations.

Programs Coordinator, Stefan Logie at 707-441-5137. If you are a "cleared" representative, you need no appointment to visit an inmate.

VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT 5:40 pm (3 min)

Checking account balance and other relevant financial reporting.
(Lyons)

IX. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS: 5:45 pm (10 min)

a) Discussion Item: Possible Action Item (5 min)

HUMAN TRAFFICKING FUND COMMITTEE

Status report on disbursing funds to grant recipients
(DuBois)

b) Discussion Item: Possible Action Item (5 min)

SANCTUARY ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Status of reporting incidents. Reminder that committee members are the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary who would meet upon receipt of a complaint.
(Glover)

X. AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS: 5:55 pm (15 min)

a) Discussion Item: Possible Action Item (5 min)

KINDNESS AD HOC COMMITTEE (Expires 12/31/ 2020)

Update on this campaign. New features and plans.
(DuBois)

b) Discussion Item: Possible Action Item (5 min)

CULTURAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE (Extended to 9-01-2020)

Progress report? Next steps? Activities available to commissioners?
Does the committee need to reconstitute itself?
(Vanlandingham)

c) Discussion Item: Possible Action Item (5min)

CORRECTIONAL FACILITY LIAISON

Activity since our last meeting? Modifications (if any) due to COVID-19?
(Morgan)

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS : 6:10 pm (20 min)

a) Discussion and Possible Action Item (10 min)

OFFICER ELECTION-Nominees are unopposed

Chair--Lelehnia DuBois
Vice Chair--Eddie Morgan
Secretary--Steven Loreus
Treasurer--Mary Lyons

(Glover)

b) Discussion and Possible Action Item (10 min)

WHITE PRIDE-POWER ISSUES WITHIN THE COUNTY

Recent protests where images of a muzzled person of color went viral.
What steps are in order, if any?

(Group Discussion)

XII. NEW BUSINESS: 6:30 pm (10 min)

a) Discussion and Possible Action Item (5 min)

FUTURE OF OUR MEETING FORMATS, WEBSITE, ETC.

Combining technology, but being compatible with The Brown Act
Establish 3 person ad hoc committee to report back to the Commission
at the next meeting on possible effects on the Bylaws and reaching
all parts of the county even following pandemic.

b) Statement by outgoing chair (5min)

(Glover)

XIII. FUTURE AGENDAS: 6:40 pm

a) Proposed agenda items for June 4 meeting (1 min)

- Draft of Annual Report to BOS....
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XIII. Adjournment: 7:00 pm

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Regular Meeting DRAFT MINUTES

MAY 7, 2020 5:00 pm -7:00 pm

I. Call to order: 5 pm

II. ROLL CALL: 5:01 pm

Present: Larry Miller, Mary Lyons, Jim Glover, Steven Loreus, Eddie Morgan, Byrd Lochtie, Lelehnia DuBois, Erin Rowe.

Absent: Toby Vanlandingham, Jonnie Rush, Carol Larsen

III. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: 5:05 pm

There was unanimous approval of the March 5, 2020 minutes with the notation of spelling and use of first names of commissioners. M/Lochtie, S/Loreus, Vote yes 8, n0 0, abstentions 0. Approved

IV. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS 5:08 pm

There were no agenda adjustment requests

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS: 5:10 pm

There was no public comment

VI. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS: 5:25 pm

Comments included acknowledgement of the McLean Foundation and Humboldt Interfaith Fellowship for supporting the #humboldtkindness campaign.

There was brief comment about the new Commission Google account.

a) Emails, Regular Mail, Phone Calls:

Only mail received was a bank statement from Umpqua Bank.

b) All other announcements and communications: (10 min)

No additional comments

c) Message Line:

Current monitoring report (**Glover/Lochtie**)

Glover and Lochtie reported on calls during their messageline duties. There was nothing especially noteworthy during this period.

Glover was already serving on messageline duty and DuBois volunteered to serve from May 16-31

VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT 5:40 pm

Checking account balance as of this meeting was \$957.86, as reported by Lyons.

IX. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS: 5:45 pm

a) Discussion Item: Possible Action Item

HUMAN TRAFFICKING FUND COMMITTEE

Final approval of funding for this year's grant was received, minutes sent to HAF, waiting on notification of recipients and release of funds. Further progress on fine-tuning the Resource information on the website. Glover questioned the pace of development and making sure the information readily stood out to anyone viewing our Facebook page.

**b) Discussion Item: Possible Action Item
SANCTUARY ORDINANCE COMMITTEE**

No complaints or questions were received prior to this meeting.

X. AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS: 6:00 pm

**a) Discussion Item: Possible Action Item
KINDNESS AD HOC COMMITTEE**

The projected ending date of this committee was extended to 12-31-2020. M/ Lochtie, S/Morgan, Vote Yes, 8, No 0, Abstentions 0, approved. Work is proceeding on developing a Facebook Group.

**b) Discussion Item: Possible Action Item
CULTURAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE**

There was no report from this committee due to chair being absent.

**c) Discussion Item: Possible Action Item
CORRECTIONAL FACILITY LIAISON**

Due to unavailability of visitation and complaints there was no report

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS : 6:20 pm

**a) Discussion and Possible Action Item
HOMELESS DENTAL HEALTH**

Rowe reported activity is on hold due to COVID, but dentist has been in touch with Betty Chin to explore possibilities.

XII. NEW BUSINESS: 6:25 pm

**a) Discussion and Possible Action Item
OFFICER AND ELECTION NOMINATIONS, PROCESS REVIEW**

A review of the process was covered by Glover. Commissioners who are nominated or self-nominated will be contacted to assure they want to serve. Once that information has been determined, a slate of candidates will be sent out to all Commissioners prior to a June vote.

b) Discussion and Possible Action Item

WHITE PRIDE-POWER ISSUES WITHIN THE COUNTY

Short discussion was held, with Glover stating he would write a MyWord column for the Times-Standard. No further action was considered at this meeting.

XIII. FUTURE AGENDAS: 6:55 pm

Nothing was noted at this time

XIII. Adjournment: 6:50 pm