



Human Relations Commission Teen Diversity Dialogue Subcommittee Meeting Minutes, February 8, 2011

**Tempe Public Library, 2nd Floor Conference Room
3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe AZ
4:30 p.m.**

Present: Armando Espinoza, Frank Morales, Josephine Vega, Rosa Inchausti, Jay Scherotter, Thaddeus Swiecki, Kathy Dietz.

Absent: Belinda Chiu

Excused: Patricia Young

Meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m.

Kathy began the meeting by giving a quick review of the Sub-Committee's work over the past year, such as the creation of the program topics, the logistical goals, etc. She asked the Committee to bring the Teen Diversity Dialogues to fruition. As a reminder, she read the purpose for the Dialogues, which was formulated last summer:

The Teen Dialogue program will begin in late summer or early Fall of 2011, which will give us time to prepare, but require some work to be done. Four task forces or Committees were formed to accomplish various tasks.

Task Force Committees:

1. Armando Espinoza will lead the development of training and orientation program for discussion leaders. He will begin immediately contacting some of the award winners from the MLK Diversity Brunch, such as Jennifer Rauhouse as possible leaders. He will work with Frank Morales. It was agreed that this pilot program will be limited to around thirty students.

2. Jay Scherotter will lead the logistical development of the program. He will work with the Diversity Department and Thaddeus Swieki. Some of the tasks will be to prepare any brochures for dissemination and literature, such as applications, ground rules, and information packets for participants. (This list is not all inclusive.) Also, this includes the set up of location, time, extras (pizza parties) etc. with the Tempe Public Library.

3. Pat Young and Kathy Dietz will contact the schools to establish a working relationship that will provide information on any protocol necessary to carry out publication and dissemination of materials through the schools.

4. Frank Morales will contact the city's Risk Management sector and create a Parent Consent Form along with any other required documents. He will consult with the City of Tempe Legal department.

Note: There was much discussion and many good suggestions offered during the meeting on all of the above.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Next meeting: February 8, 5:00 p.m. (One hour before HRC meeting) at City Hall. Reports will be given by the various task forces.