ARIZONA CIVIL RIGHTS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Public Meeting June 8, 2015

Board Members Present

Howard Meyers (Chairperson) Janet Bain Robert Garcia Daisy Flores

Staff Members Present

Theresa Rassas Jennifer Larson Sandra Kane Tina Rohe

I. Call to Order

Howard Meyers called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m., with the following Board Members present telephonically: Janet Bain, Robert Garcia, and Daisy Flores. The meeting took place at 1275 W. Washington, Civil Rights' Conference Room, Phoenix, Arizona.

II. Introduction of Board Members

Each present member was introduced.

III. Minutes

Janet Bain moved to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2015 meeting. Robert Garcia seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Call to Public

Members of the public were asked to limit their comments to three minutes but were told they may be granted additional time of the Board chose to add their issue to a later agenda. Darrel Christenson of ABIL spoke regarding Inclusive Housing Design. He made no requests of the Board. Tracy Elise spoke. She raised the issue of her church being discriminated against by the Maricopa County Attorney. She asked that the Board 1.) hear from the church leader, 2.) assign a Board member to this issue, and 3.) review the publically available information and post it.

V. Training

Theresa Rassas offered information on the Civil Rights Division of the Office of the Attorney General. Sandra Kane appeared during this portion of the meeting to provide information to the Board on the open meeting laws.

VI. Division Report

Theresa Rassas offered an update as to the status of the Civil Rights Division of the Office of the Arizona Attorney General.

VII. Old Business

Howard Meyers discussed meeting with Janet to discuss other ways to encourage inclusive housing design.

VIII. Human Trafficking and Child Prostitution Legislation

After discussion, Howard Meyers moved to work toward a hearing and education on the issues of human trafficking. Janet Bain seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

IX. New Civil Rights issues to Address

After discussion, Howard Meyers moved to add an investigation into the arrest and hiring practices of our sheriffs onto a future agenda. Janet Bain seconded the motion and it passed.

There being no other announcements or matters, the meeting was adjourned.

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