## **Allentown**

435 Hamilton Street Allentown, Pa. 18101



## **Minutes**

Thursday, March 5, 2020 6:00 PM

5th Floor Conference Room
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**Human Relations Commission** 

Commissioners Present: Janet Morillo, Chair Linda Vega, Co-Chair Hamp Smith, Connie Santos, Scotty Smith, Tracie Springer

Absent: Patrick Palmer, Inga Williams

Student Representatives Present: Desteny Lancheros / Angela Dergham - Dieruff Student

Representatives

Tatiana Tooley, Human Relations Officer was present.

Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Morillo, Chair at 6:02pm. Followed by pledge of allegiance, moment of silence and roll call. Prior to the meeting an executive session was held to discuss HRC's mission and vision – a brief summary was created and provided to all commissioners.

During discussion, the topics discussed were:

- The outlets that can assist in promoting the HRC's vision social media, flyers, churches.
- Updating the website with pictures of the current commissioners.
- Creating a communications platform among the commissioners to ensure transparency and unity.
- Workshop Content Barbara Elerby, Resolution Specialist to provide a community training on identifying the various acts of discrimination and how to effectively file a case. The free workshop is to be held on Saturday, May 2 at 9:00am 11:00am at the LCCC Donley Center.

Student Representatives commented on the necessity of creating awareness of the Human Relations Commission to all students and provide awareness of the support HRC can be to students and their families during discriminative situations.

Under new business, on the motion of Ms. Vega, seconded by Ms. Santos, it was recommended that the letter created to MaryAnne's Donuts for their donation of two-dozen donuts, was approved. Motion carried on consent.

Next meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, April 2, 2020 at 6pm.

As there were no further business, on the motion of Ms. Vega, seconded by Ms. Santos the meeting was adjourned at 7:01pm on common consent.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Morillo, Chair of Human Relations Commission