Snohomish County
Commission on Human Rights
Minutes of May 6, 2021 meeting

1. ORDER OF BUSINESS
Call to Order and Roll Call:
Meeting called to order at: 6:03, by the Commission Chair, Courtney Wooten facilitation moved to Carin Chase
Commissioners Present:
Courtney Wooten, Carin Chase and Noah Rui
Commissioners not present:
Carolyn Bennett and Dr. Gloria Ngezaho
Commission Liaison present:
Sherry Cuddy
County and Public Attendees:
Maralyn Chase

2. WELCOME – Land Acknowledgement
Carin Chase facilitated the land acknowledgement

3. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:
Marilyn Chase – “glad to see World Day for Cultural Diversity and Dialogue Development part of the ongoing conversation.”

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Carin Chase asked for motion to approve the agenda.
Noah Rui made motion to approve the May 6, 2021 agenda, 2nd Courtney. Approved unanimously

5. APPROVAL OF April 1, 2021 MEETING MINUTES
Carin Chase asked for motion to approve the April 1, 2021 minutes
Noah Rui made motion to approve minutes as written, Courtney Wooten 2nd. Approved unanimously

6. NEW BUSINESS
Process for Response to Actions Within Community
On hold until June 3, 2021 – Commissioners are requested to bring ideas on how the process should work.

7. ONGOING COMMISSION BUSINESS
   • Hate Speech - Discussion
     On hold until June 3, 2021 – important topic – would like more commissioners involved in the conversation
   • 2021 World Day for Cultural Diversity and Dialogue Development
     Carin Chase contacted Edmonds Community College; due to vacant positions they are unable to host an event this year. They will help promote other community events.
- **Chair Report – forgo report in lieu of inability to talk**
  SnoCo HRC Facebook Page Posting for May 2021
  World Day for Cultural Diversity and Dialogue Development educational and virtual/ in person events
  IAHORA, UNESCO and UN Human Rights
  C3 events to include “Art Therapy for BIPOC”
  Asian Pacific American Heritage Month
  National Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls Day

Noah Rui made motion to approve posting the events provided and ongoing for IAHORA and UN Human Rights reposts. 2nd Courtney Wooten; passed unanimously

- **Liaison Report**
  Re-Appointment for District 4 – waiting for District 4 reply
  District 2 – new appointment of candidate in progress
  IAHORA membership renewal – Carin to provide liaison membership id for renewal.
  Liaison notified Noah Rui and Courtney Wooten of terms expiring June 30, 2021. Liaison will notify Gloria Ngezaho of expiring term. Commissioners seeking re-appointment need to complete new nomination form and mark 1st re-appointment and contact their representative. Nomination forms due by May 24, 2021.
  With Council starting the budget process, we need to have the process complete by the first week of June. Amendment to bylaws requires a resolution and review one month prior to vote for adoption. Vote scheduled for July 2021.
  Commission requests 2022 budget ask of $5,000. Liaison to submit request.
  Noah Rui reminded liaison waiting on business cards.

- **Commissioner Reports**
  Legislative Summary to Council – need to set a meeting
  Retreat of 4hrs to be discussed at June 3, 2021 meeting – to be held via Zoom

- **Agenda items for next meeting**
  Welcome of new commissioners
  2019 and 2020 Reports to County Council
  Hate Speech discussion
  Amended Bylaw review and resolution
  Commission Retreat

8. **CURRENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Snohomish County Human Rights Commission**
  2021 World Day for Cultural Diversity and Dialogue – see links above to other community and national information
  2021 International Human Rights Day – virtual event in planning

- **Community Sponsored Events**
  Commissioners will forward community partner’s events for posting to Facebook and website.

9. **COMMUNITY INFORMATION**

  - **Black Healing Fund**
  - Text to 911 for Snohomish County
  - Snohomish County Human Trafficking Hotline; 425-258-9037
  - Snohomish County Tip Line; 425-388-3845
  - Domestic Violence Services Snohomish County; 425-25-ABUSE (425-252-2873)
  - Dawson’s Place Child Advocacy Center; 425-789-3000
  - National Human Trafficking Resource Center 888-373-7888
  - United Nations – 2021 Recover Better; Stand up for someone’s rights today – Take action
10. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
Maralyn Chase spoke of the Proud Boys incident in Salem, OR park. Would like to volunteer to serve on a committee or task force if the commission creates.
Carin Chase showed map from Southern Poverty Law Center – showing 22 know hate groups in WA.

11. **MEETING SCHEDULE**
The next meeting scheduled for **Thursday June 3, 2021**
Regular monthly meetings of the Snohomish County Commission on Human Rights will be held on the first Thursday of each month from 6:00pm to 8:00pm, via Zoom until further notice.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**
Motion to adjourn at 6:51pm. Motion: Noah Rui; 2nd Courtney Wooten, agreed unanimously.