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**CITY OF YPSILANTI
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2012
7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner John Schuler called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL:

Tyrone Bridges	Present
Mary Louise Foley	Present
Arika Lycan	Absent
Krista Nordberg	Present
Glen Sard, Chairperson	Absent
Darlene Scott	Absent
John Shuler	Present
Jennifer Symanns	Present

A quorum was present.

III. AGENDA APPROVAL

Moved by Commissioner Bridges, supported by Commissioner Nordberg to amend the agenda to table item 5.2, Approval of 2011 Annual Report to send to City Council.

Moved by Commissioner Symanns, supported by Commissioner Nordberg to keep the 2012 schedule as is. (No May or December meeting)

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

On a voice vote the agenda was approved as amended.

IV. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Commissioner Bridges commented that the Human Relations Commission should recognize City Council Member Jefferson.

City Council Member Ricky Jefferson commented that he is a new council member and is planning to attend more boards and commission meetings. Additionally he asked about an e-mail that Commissioner Bridges had sent to an undisclosed person at a forum that had been attended representing himself on behalf of the City of Ypsilanti.

Commissioner Bridges asked City Council Member Ricky Jefferson to provide him with a copy of the e-mail that was in question.

City Council Member Ricky Jefferson commented he would provide Commissioner Bridges with a copy of that e-mail.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Bridges moved, supported by Commissioner Symanns to approve the minutes of November 28, 2011.

On voice vote the minutes were approved as presented.

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discussion of a New Chair and Vice Chair for 2012.

Moved by Commissioner Symanns, supported by Commissioner Bridges to table the selection of a New Chair and Vice Chair until the next meeting.

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

2. Approval of 2011 Annual Report to send to City Council.

Moved by Commissioner Bridges, supported by Commissioner Nordberg to table the approval of the 2011 Annual Report to send to City Council until the next meeting.

On a voice vote the motion carried.

3. New/Proposed Activities for 2012

Commissioner Symanns commented she and Commissioner Lycan are researching possible speakers from SOS and Ozone House.

Commissioner Bridges commented he attended the Community Connection Dialogue at the Sheriff's Department.

Commissioner Nordberg commented she attended the Community Connection Dialogue and she will provide copies of the agenda. She said she would like to be a part of a possibly developing task force addressing biases within the community.

Commissioner Bridges commented that Commissioner Foley is not receiving communications or invites and asked that she be contacted by phone when there are communications or invites.

Commissioner Bridges announced his company placed an ad in the Ypsilanti Courier about a Behavioral Workshop where children from local schools in the 6-8th grade would be encouraged to enter in a contest where they write about their dreams. The six contest winners would be selected to win \$50.00 scholarship monies.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE

February 27, 2012

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Bridges moved, supported by Commissioner Nordberg to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

