

Minutes

Human Relations Committee

February 16, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Bob Canida. Those in attendance were Bob Canida, Chris Albers, Sue Livers, Shirley Kloefer, Bob Pimlott and Nathan Montoya.

There were no minutes from the previous meeting since a quorum was not present.

An election of officers was held with the following results: Chairperson-Bob Canida

Vice-chair-Nathan Montoya

Secretary-Bob Pimlott

A discussion was held concerning the choice of the next book for One Book/One Community. The committee unanimously chose the book Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson.

The committee voted unanimously to sponsor a forum on Alopecia. The forum will include the showing of the film "Wigged Out" in March with a location to be determined later.

Committee members discussed the possible changes to the Anti-Discrimination Ordinance related to employment and services for the city of Madison. Nathan recommended that the term ethnicity be added to the proposed change in the ordinance. The committee voted unanimously to support the proposal as written with the addition of the term ethnicity as follows: The City of Madison, Indiana, will not discriminate, in terms of employment or services, against individuals based on race, gender, ethnicity, age, religious affiliation, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or nation of origin.

Nathan shared information concerning the Charter for Compassion for cities and discussed exploring the possibility of the City of Madison pursuing the Charter. More information will be shared at a future meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday May 18, 2017 at 9am.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Pimlott

Secretary pro-tem