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Commission Minutes: March 11, 2009
Meeting called to order at: 6:00 p.m.

1) Attendance and Quorum:

TashaRose Lombardi, Brenda Taylor, Regina Dyton, Diane Malenfant, Joanne DiPlacido, Anita Caldwell, Virginia Adams, Jaye Holcomb

2) Recognition of Guests:

Diana Lombardi, Andrew Martin, Palmera Shelton, Trina Ellison

City of Hartford Staff: Eloy Toppin

Intern: Erika Romero

3) Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from previous meeting read, motion to accept 1st made by Tasha Rose Lombardi, 2nd by Joanne DiPlacido
Minutes approved unanimously

4) Treasurers Report

- a) Eloy Toppin reported to Commission the following:
- b) 1177.12 raised by commission
- c) 685.03 of city money
- d) 1862.15 total
- e) With the outstanding expenditures it leaves a total of 322.60 in account
- f) AMMENDMANT: Motion made for reimbursement to Regina Dyton in the amount of \$155.00

5) Marketing Report

- a) Tabled to next meeting

6) Old Business

- a) Retreat follow up: the retreat was fantastic and concrete and with a follow up plan and validation made to the great work that we as commissioner are doing. Out of the retreat came a very ambitious fiscal year agenda. Our primary purpose is to guide the city of Hartford to honor, respect and act on behalf of the LGBT community and to make policy recommendations.
- b) Remember the meaning behind the commission.
- c) Accountability will be a focus for the upcoming year

- d) Tracking hours of volunteer time should/will be tracked
- e) Discussed the Transgendered non discrimination ordinance, Eloy Toppin and Erika Romero will research the original ordinance.

7) New Business

- a) LGBT youth employment: Erika has no information to report at this time. Eloy to connect with Eula Dodson re: youth employment summer program. Questions to be asked are; can the commission apply for a summer recreation grant? What are the time frames for applying?
- b) Regina Dyton passed out minutes from the meeting with Pedro Segarra at the Executive meeting. Regina reviewed structural barriers for student at Hartford public schools. Suggestion to look at models of excellence. Employment opportunities throughout Hartford and what are the policies and recruitment opportunities.
- c) Regina to draft a letter of appreciation for the retreat facilitators, those who wish to make a monetary contribution may do so.
- d) CT Pride: Commissioner Jaye Holcomb will sit on planning committee as a Commission representative. Date for CT Pride: June 6th. The Commission will have access to a FREE table at CT Pride.

8) Announcements

- a) March 19: Gloria Steinham
- b) Lobby Day: April 7th 10-1 pm

Motion made by TashaRose Lombardi to adjourn 2nd by Joanne DiPlacido
Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Virginia Adams April 14, 2009