

Minutes for 3/8/17 Culture and Equality Meeting

- a. Call to order
- b. Three people were present, J. Tijerina, M. Najera, D. Sanchez
- c. No other individuals were present for public comment.

Action Items

1. Selection of committee members was completed. J. Tijerina confirmed as Committee Chair, D. Sanchez, M. Najera were confirmed and present. R. Rivas and J. Ceballos Campbell were not present at this meeting but were at previous meetings and confirmed as well.
2. The mission statement was discussed, revised, and confirmed. Will be sent to Kristina for posting on the HHPNC website.

The mission of the Culture and Equality Committee will be to:

To provide a welcoming, inclusive, and open-minded forum for productive discussion of cultural affairs and equality for all stakeholders in the Highland Park community.

To provide thought leadership on social issues and foster a culture of unity for and understanding for all stakeholders in our community.

To empower members of our community who need it most and begin to address various types of inequity by providing meaningful communications and information and help bridge gaps in access to resources such as jobs, events, affordable housing, and education.

To address issues pertaining to cultural and historical preservation and fostering a positive and inclusive environment for the arts.

3. A motion to organize "Equality Roundtable Discussion Sessions" was passed. The first session is slated for May 2017 with further details to be organized and the first topic to be determined at a later date.
4. A social media campaign for Women's History Month in February does not require board approval, but content will include highlighting issues that have affected women in our community.
5. Content about immigration rights will be researched from various government and non-profit sources, like embassies. The possibility of a livestream and/or an in-person "know your rights" event was discussed and will be brought up to council district offices; there is an event that is already being hosted in a nearby neighborhood by CD1's office. Handing out information was also looked at as a possibility. We also discussed the limitations of only using electronic means to get information individuals and ways that we could bridge that gap.

6. No new business.

7. Adjournment