

**AGENDA**  
**CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD**  
Friday, August 10, 2018 – 10:00 am  
Dodge City Public Library – 1001 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF**  
Friday, June 8, 2018

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Preparation of Engage Dodge Program Fall 2018
2. Promotion of Know Your Immigration Rights Presentation, 6:00 pm, September 27, 2018 at Civic Center

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Addison Dickens Study on Political Discourse in Southwest Kansas

**BOARD PROGRAMS/DATES** (keep in mind)

1. Engage Dodge Program.
2. Human Relations Presentation Possibility
3. Racial Profiling/Bias Based Policing – Board representation.
4. Welcoming Cities Initiative–
5. April – Celebrate Diversity Month
6. Cinco de Mayo – May 5
7. May 21 is World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development - Recognizes cultural diversity as a source of innovation, exchange and creativity, as well as the obligation to create a more peaceful and equitable society based on mutual respect.
8. June – Immigrant Heritage Month
9. World Refugee Day – June 20
10. National Welcoming Week – September 15-24, 2017
11. National Hispanic Heritage Month begins Sept. 15-Oct. 15
12. Human Rights Day – December 10

**COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/STAFF –**

**ADJOURNMENT**

## **Cultural Relations Advisory Board Meeting – Minutes**

Date: Friday, June 8, 2018– 10:00 a.m.

Location: Dodge City Public Library

### **1. Welcome – Chair Greta Clark**

**Attendees:** Greta Clark, Melissa McCoy, Dr. Vinton, Debra Muyaert, Oliver Bland, Esmeralda Soto, Marisa Vargas, and Mary Marquez

**Guest (s):** Dr. Fred Dierksen

### **2. Minutes:**

Dr. Vinton made a motion to approve the minutes from the Friday, April 20, 2018 meeting and Mary Marquez seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Esmeralda Soto made a motion to approve the May 11, 2018 minutes. Debra Muyaert seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

### **3. Old Business**

**A. Update on Diversity Month Site Visit-**The group discussed the downtown site visits for Diversity month in May. The visit was successful and the group plans to continue these visits in the future.

**B. Human Relations Presentation Possibility-**Greta Clark and Doctor Vinton shared the opportunity to have Cesar Perez come as a speaker to speak to our community. Dr. Vinton had hear Mr. Perez speak at the NABE National Conference in Albuquerque and was very impressed with his presentation. Mr. Perez could present on DACA, immigrant rights and encouraging individuals to vote.

Debra Muyaert made a motion to have Greta Clark explore the possibility and the costs involved with bringing Mr. Perez to Dodge City to speak. Mary Marquez seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

### **4. New Business**

**A. Racial Profiling/Bias Policing Update-**Debra Muyaert provided an update on the recent meeting she attended with the police department on racial profiling and bias policing. She said that the Police department will no longer have a 3<sup>rd</sup> shift in the office at night since they receive very few inquiries during this time. Instead citizens can submit concerns to 911 communications.

**B. Dodge City Volunteer Opportunities Discussion-** Since the group will not meet in July due to other activities they agreed to volunteer during Dodge City Days. Marisa Vargas will send a list of opportunities to Melissa McCoy to share with the board.

**C. Engage Dodge Programs Fall 2018 Discussion-** The board discussed activities for the Engage Dodge program that will start again this September. The board was encouraged to invite community members to attend. Beginning on September 11, the board would like the Engage Dodge students to attend the 9/11 ceremony at Memorial Gardens. It was added that they would like to include both a trolley and bus ride experience and a tour of the district court house. Greta Clark and Melissa McCoy will work on the schedule and contact the presenters to confirm dates.

#### **4. Board Programs/Dates:**

1. Engage Dodge Program
2. Racial Profiling/Bias Based Policing – Board representation.
3. Welcoming Cities Initiative–
4. Black History Month-February
5. Race Relations Day-February 14
6. April- Celebrate Diversity Month
7. Cinco de Mayo-May 5
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Debra Muyaert made a motion to adjourn and Oliver Bland seconded it. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.