

AGENDA
CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
FRIDAY, November 9, 2012 – 12:00 Noon
Dodge City Public Library – 1001 N. Second Ave.

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES of September 13, 2012 meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Report on Garden City Diversity Breakfast October 11th.
2. Wrap-up Report on Building Common Ground Grant.
3. Planning of Organization of Dodge City Community Engagement Partnership Program.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of African Relations.
2. Discussion of Board Support for Community Cultural Events.
3. Discussion of Establishing a Resource Center.
4. Discussion of changing meeting time.
5. Review of Resolution No. 2010-9 Establishing the Cultural Relations Advisory Board.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/STAFF –

1. Next meeting is December 14, ^{noon} ~~7.00~~ pm at Dodge City Public Library.

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES
CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
Thursday, September 13, 2012 – 7:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library – 1001 N. First Ave.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Greta Clark.

Board Members present: Greta Clark, Debra Muylaert, Victor Sosa, Elva Dominguez, Mary Marquez, and staff Jane Longmeyer. Absent were: Robert Vinton, Marilyn Treto, Oliver Bland, Chamber representative and SRS Representative Simon Muturi.

The minutes of the August 16 meeting were reviewed with no changes or corrections noted.

Unfinished Business:

1. RSVPs to attend the Garden City Diversity Breakfast are due to Jane by Wednesday, September 26. Those signed up so far are Greta, Mary, Debra and Jane.
2. The status of the Dodge City Community Engagement Partnership Program was discussed. The program was postponed until 2013 until more participants could be recruited. The Board decided on the following changes:
 - To reduce the number of sessions from eight to four which are:
 - 1) City government & city law enforcement @ City Hall
 - 2) City fire @ fire station no. 1 and Ford County Sheriff (tour jail).
 - 3) Education @ USD #443
 - 4) Tourism @ Boot Hill and completion ceremony.

It was also suggested to simplify the position statement for recruiting participants. The following sample was recommended: Get acquainted with: your city government, your education system, your law enforcement, your tourism industry. The position statement for recruitment will be revised to reflect the changes.

3. A letter was sent to the Dept. of Commerce requesting an extension of the area for the CDBG housing rehabilitation grant. Elva and Jane will begin to contact those residents who are believed to be income eligible to begin the application process so that when the extension is approved, we can move forward in getting the work completed.

New Business: None.

The Board was reminded that the Building Common Ground Community Café: discussion of community, civility and compassion is Saturday, September 15 from 2:00-4:00 pm.

The Mexican Independence Day Cavalcade will take place Sunday, September 30th.

The next meeting – October 11th – is the same time as the Brantley Gilbert Concert @ UWA but there did not appear to be a conflict with the board members.

Other announcements:

A fundraiser for the NUMANA program is Saturday, September 22. Volunteers will be needed to package food on Saturday, November 10th at the Civic Center.

October 6th is the Victory Electric Health Fair.

October 13 is the LOL Women's Day at Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jane Longmeyer

From: Cathy Reeves [cathyr@dcpl.info]
Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2012 2:53 PM
To: Jane Longmeyer; Greta Clark
Subject: Building Common Ground grant final report

Below is the final report I submitted to ALA for the Building Common Ground grant. They wouldn't let me just email it somewhere so I copied and pasted it here. When the Cultural Relations Advisory Board meets if you would like to talk about it, and/or have me there to talk about it, I can probably work that out.

Thanks for helping with this grant. I think it worked out like we hoped, now on to more good stuff.

Cathy

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Building Common Ground: Final report for cathyr@dcpl.info

What goal or issue did your project address or illuminate? (1–2 sentences)

Dodge City has a mix of races and ethnic groups. After several discussions, we came to the conclusion that many of our issues relate back to the differences in our

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cultures and the inability to understand each other because of language barriers. As one individual stated "we have separate but parallel cultures." We put our emphasis on the English speaking white population and the Hispanic, Spanish speaking population. Our goals were:

- 1) Become more familiar with the historical importance that each group has played in the history of Dodge City.
- 2) Learn what opportunities exist for learning English and Spanish.
- 3) Discover ways individuals can become more knowledgeable of others heritage and become more accepting of their roles in today's society and place in the community.

What progress did your project make in addressing this goal or issue?

Throughout the grant activities, there was interaction between all individuals. Although not as many Hispanic individuals attended as we would have liked, those who did had new conversations with people they had not met before. At the final event we also had a few individuals from some African countries which brought new ideas to the discussion.

Goal 1: Comments from individuals attending indicated this did take place. Examples:

Book Discussion: We learned what it was like to live on the border and worry about your family who might be crossing back and forth, perhaps illegally. Although a fiction book, it gave us a picture of what family life was like.

The guest speaker, Dr. Andrade gave an excellent presentation on the role of Hispanics in businesses, across the United States and in Kansas. At this session there was a cross section of Spanish speaking and English speaking individuals as well as a cross section of ages.

Our Historical Tour was excellent as the tour guide, also a historian, talked about the many groups who made up the history of our area and their contributions to developing Dodge City.

Goal 2: We had a Language Fair in which we had five tables highlighting ways to learn another language. The presenters were pleased with the turnout and many individuals learned of the variety of ways to learn English, Spanish, and other languages. Those presenting said they would do this again.

Goal 3: This was accomplished primarily by people talking to each other. On the Historical Tour, for example, a man found out that he has family living in Mexico where this family has a family farm. They connected through the tour, which would not have happened otherwise. At our Community Café, individuals had the opportunities to share their experiences such as arriving in Dodge City, what their needs are, and made suggestions for the future. In general, people who had never met, who came from different backgrounds and cultures, were talking to each other.

What outcomes were reported by participants, including speakers? How were their attitudes, knowledge, and/or behaviors changed or enhanced by taking part in this project? Please use participant evaluations to inform this response. If your evaluations were completed electronically, please list a link to results or upload the relevant data file using the form provided at the end of this report.

Our evaluation had basically two parts, the first asking about the overall impression of the activity. The second asking how they feel this will help our community become more civil and compassionate toward

each other. The results are listed below. Common answers are generally only listed once.

Hispanic Economic Impact in the Community:

- The information given will better inform the community
- Thank you for bringing this important presentation to us.
- The presentation conveys the importance & economic impact of Latinos to our community, region, state and nation. Latinos provide not only benefits but a need.
- This particular presentation will help the community to understand the way of living of the Hispanic community
- It would penetrate the part of the community that doesn't understand the positive impact in the community with having the Latino population here
- We need to have more of this information to better understand
- I think we learned how much we need Latinos for our economic well being. Many people think immigrants are a drain on our country's economy, while just the opposite is true.
- I think if all community members see the value of the other (regardless of race or religion) it will become a more cohesive and thus a better community.
- He presented facts which I appreciated learning. Real Information dispels stereotypes and misinformation.
- It is good to know that the Hispanics are prospering, but also helping the community grow.
- Would have appreciated more info on how to grow businesses and close gaps in Dodge City.
- Understanding the impact to the communities that we live & all contribute

Book Discussion:

- Book raised lots of essays that are applicable to our community. Caused lots of issues to ponder
- Should help us to recognize our own attitudes more fully
- We are involved with many different cultures and the book leads us to think about this
- I think literature that portrays lives/cultures realistically usually opens a door for understanding
- Many items in book relates directly to Dodge City.
- I enjoyed the book very much as I see many comparisons to my community. The discussion helped to clarify some points but I think we all see the realities as current.
- Because we know there are challenges of people living here and this book helped us to understand the

challenges better.

Language Fair:

(Some are translations from Spanish to English)

- Are lots of interesting, where we can learn a lot, I like so much
- This program gives us the right tools to learn other language, thanks for all your help
- offer books, CD's and many more (a listing of some of the items presented)
- Thank you for all your enthusiasm for the Hispanic community
- Very good information and friendly
- This program is very successful because keep us inform on every different activity that we can realize and give us lot of info.
- Was very good, because offer different programs to learn English
- I like this event, it helps to become better neighbors
- I think is a great program that helps different people who speak different languages
- I hope the Language Fair program continues to help the people that live in Dodge City
- I enjoyed meeting the various personnel involved with each program/entity

Historical Tour:

- Fantastic, very interesting & informative
- There's a strong misunderstanding about how the Mexican culture came to D.C. This was wonderful.
- Hope you do it again for the people that couldn't come
- Educational
- We become knowledgeable in regards to who are our founders and we appreciate what our ancestors have lived. We become open minded.
- Learning about our history makes us appreciate what is around us-especially in such a historical area
- A good way to spend the day, I learned a lot
- Learned new information re' Dodge City
- This should help with understanding of our multicultural population

- It has taken several different cultures to build our present day world
- Understanding our past connections with people of varied backgrounds could help us be more accepting of current cultures in our community.
- How will learning about the history of our area help us become more civil & compassionate – by understanding how the presence of those establishing the community were all an integral part.
- Appreciate those who came before us and charge a community to keep history alive
- Can't know where you're going unless you know where you've been.
- Learning about the hard times should make us more grateful and compassionate toward others
- The more we learn about people the more we understand them
- When I realize how hard people worked (and died) and cooperated with each other to survive and thrive, it becomes apparent how important it is to work together and help others. It took so many people willing to step forward to make things work. We still need active citizens today.
- Makes us more tolerant of the cultures
- Fantastic, enjoyable and a wealth of history
- This enlightened the history of many nationalities and what they all did to make Dodge City what it was
- all school children should visit the spots on this tour
- Pulls us together
- Diversity always in our history can be part of our present and future
- We have this common history – we can build on it

Community Café Discussion:

- Very good, interesting, learned about others
- Open discussion on getting to know each other
- Helps to understand that all people need to learn about different cultures and have compassion for others regardless of their culture
- Most of the people are really willing to get involved with our community
- Just being in the table together was a great opportunity to interact
- I feel very good today because I learn something different
- I had the opportunity to meet people from the Somali Community – my first opportunity. It was the

'beginning of what I hope will be friendships

-I enjoyed the comments from the many participants

-It was great, value information, and to meet other community leaders

-I enjoyed meeting a variety of people and discussing things with them.

--Any time there is communication between cultures, etc., it helps everyone involved become more comfortable.

-Great ideas were shared

-How will this help our community –through education, letting new comers know what is available in all aspects of life in Dodge City

-It's one step on a thousand mile journey

-Some groups offered some concrete ideas for bringing cultures together. These ideas need to be followed up and put into action

-Most enlightening and energizing to hear people's stories and ideas

-I believe that people's individual stories ferment(could not read writing) understanding of other cultures, worlds, people

-Today was like seeing a glimmer of what could be

-It is useful to hear others viewpoints

-Getting acquainted with both newcomers and natives builds bridges in our day to day routines

General Comments:

-Repeat these activities

-Use these ideas and stories/people to tell their stories as programs at civic organizations

-Dodge City needs a "Welcome Center/One stop shop" for new residents

-A good beginning

-Continue doing these or similar activities

-People seemed to enjoy and learn at each activity

-Many met new people from other cultures for the first time

Please share any specific actions resulting from participation in the program (on the part of participants, the library, speakers or partners)

Specific actions would include people meeting others from different cultural groups and holding a conversation. The USDA/STEM group is considering adding a Welcome Center for residents into their plans for future needs of Dodge City. This idea has been discussed at least twice in their meetings. The Cultural Relations Advisory Board will be reviewing the information received and using that information when deciding on future projects. The Library will again hold a Language Fair and expand it to include other needs in the community such as voter registration. The Library will also consider what other programs they might hold to promote the grant's theme. We have held a Social Security program in Spanish and recently a program on immigration laws and how to become a citizen. This was not only attended by new residents to our country but by those who work with these immigrants.

Name of Partner Organization(s):

Our partner was the Cultural Relations Advisory Board for the City of Dodge City

Describe the role of the program partner(s), and indicate any new partnerships.

The chair and the city's liaison to this Board helped write the grant proposal while members of the Board gave suggestions. Members of the Board attended the events and they also helped promote the activities by posting flyers/posters and by word of mouth.

New partnerships were developed with the Migrant Program of the local school system who was instrumental in bringing Dr. Andrade to Dodge City.

Our presenters and discussion leaders belonged to various businesses, occupations, and organizations in Dodge City. A list of their affiliations can be found elsewhere in this report. Because of their affiliations and expertise we were able to hold quality programs.

What outcomes were reported by the program partner organization? How were their goals, mission or interest advanced by this project?

The community partner has not met since the conclusion of the grant. They have received a printout of the suggestions made at the Community Café. It is my understanding that they are always looking for projects that will promote cultural awareness in Dodge City and will combine these ideas and others as they plan future projects. These suggestions, according to their Board Chair, go along with their mission.

Describe how actual programs compared to planned programs. (Please include information on participation by target audiences, roles of partners, anticipated vs. actual attendance, etc.)

Book Display: We show cased a book display of books from the various reading lists on the website. Although we do not know how many books were checked out, people would stop and view the display and some items did circulate. We left this up for approximately one month. It served as a good introduction to the other activities.

Hispanic Economic Impact in the Community: We were hoping for 50 people and had 33. However, those who attended were very impressed and learned a lot. Audience included city staff including the assistant city manager, a city commissioner, Police chief, educators, reporter from newspaper, minister and other staff from a church, hospital PR person, staff from local Mexican American ministries, and other residents of the city. They included both Caucasians and Hispanics and were of a wide age range. We, and the speaker, were pleased with the mix. As a side note, this was a good chance to promote the grant and one person checked out the book for the book discussion. Also, a new resident signed up and

received her library card. A lot of information was presented, which was the purpose for the session. The newspaper did cover this presentation and had a write up in the paper the next day. So, those who did not attend did have an opportunity to read what Dr. Andrade said.

Book discussion: I was disappointed in the attendance, but those who did attend found the discussion very interested and related it back to Dodge City. We had 21 copies of the book and 16 were checked out as well as our CD Book being checked out 4 times. So, even though not everyone came, they did have the opportunity to read the book and reflect on it themselves. Also, for one of our participants it was the first time to attend one of our book discussions.

Language Fair: We had more people attend than we anticipated. At the fair we also promoted the other upcoming events. This was very informal and people could come and go as they had time. The tables/booths presented a variety of opportunities for people to learn a new language. Those presenting their programs commented that they would be willing to do this again and they also had the opportunity to visit with each other to see what others in Dodge City had to offer. We also had several ESL students attend and for many of them it was the first time to be at the library and see what other services the library had to offer. I would say it was a success for the exhibitors and those attending.

Historical Tour: I would say this was the biggest success of all the events. We anticipated 50 people attending and we had 47, which was what the bus held with the driver. We did not have as many Hispanic families as I would have liked but we did have all ages, from a young girl about 4 to a gentleman in his 90s. We also had a family that brought their teenagers along. The tour guide was very knowledgeable and well spoken. He told stories as well as just giving facts. Thanks to the grant we were able to rent a tour bus so the accommodations were good on a hot day. I also provide water and snacks as the tour lasted a little over three hours. I knew the guide would be good but it was even better than I anticipated. There were people on the tour who were relative new to Dodge City and some who had lived here all their lives. Everyone learned something new. And they learned not only about the normal tourist areas but about those who had a part in the development of the community and the area, from the Native Americans, to the cowboys, to the Hispanics, to the soldiers, and others. It more than met my expectations.

Community Café: A Discussion of Community, Civility and Compassion in Dodge City: This was our final event, as we wanted to end it with a discussion after having experienced the other activities. We anticipated 30 people attending and had only 23, but those 23 had great discussions. Some had attended some of the other events, some this was their only event. We had four tables of discussions based on the general themes of education, businesses, immersion, and social/civic participation. We had men and women, English Speaking and Spanish Speaking, and we had three from African countries who are now living, working, and going to school in Dodge City. This gave us a chance to discuss and learn from each other. Some ideas for the future came out of this session; which are being passed on to other groups in town.

In general I believe each activity fulfilled its purpose. We may not have had as many attend as we hoped but those who did had an experience and met people they did not know. These activities were a start and we hope other groups in town will pick up on this topic and plan some activities of their own.

How has this project affected your library's role as a community cultural center?

As we review the activities for the grant we will be following up with the following:

We have added to our collection some of the titles in the online bibliographies that we did not have. This will provide more reading and resources for the general reading population.

The books we purchased for the book discussion are now available for book clubs to check out for their own discussion groups. We also have a copy in our general circulating collection as well as a copy in our CDBook collection.

We will probably hold another Language Fair next year as the presenters said they would do that again. This time we want to expand it to include such things as a voting booth and voter registration. When we plan the event next year we may include other items as well. Other activities may be repeated as funds are available.

The results of the Community Café Discussion have been passed on to our community partner. They have not met to discuss these ideas but will at an upcoming meeting. These ideas have also been shared with a USDA/STEM group who is looking at the Welcome Center idea in a future project. Results will be shared with other groups as the need arises.

We have also applied for an ALA/Dollar General "American Dream" grant. Some of these ideas from this grant may be incorporated into projects for that grant should we receive it. I am thinking about the Language Fair and Voter Registration at this point.

As other community groups develop ideas we will support them. Presently we are involved with the USDA/STEM group and I am in regular communication with the chair of the Cultural Relations Advisory Board, our community partner.

Describe your promotional plan and publicity received. Please discuss your most effective promotional tools.

We posted in the library and throughout the community posters listing the activities of the grant. We also had press releases sent out to the media including print, radio and TV. The newspaper covered Dr. Andrade's presentation and the local Univision representative taped some individuals at the Language Fair. I also talked about it on a monthly local channel TV show and at various presentations throughout the community. We would promote the grant and upcoming events at each activity. Our most effective promotional tool was word of mouth, when library staff and those serving as our community partner talked about it one on one to another person. Our plan was to get the word out about the grant and the activities in any way we possibility could. This not only provided recognition for the library and our partner but also ALA and the Fetzer Instutite.

Please check the box below if your library selected to participate in the Public Insight Network/American Public Media partnership?

My library was selected for the PIM/APM partnership

Which of the Building Common Ground program resources were most valuable to your project?

Charter for Compassion

Programs

International Institute for Compassionate Cities

Compassionate Action Network

Campaign for Love and Forgiveness

✓ **Common Ground Tours**

Video Shorts

Project on Civic Reflection

Project on Civic Reflection facilitation training sessions

Civic Reflection preconferences

Hearing the Call Across Traditions: Readings on Faith and Service, by Adam Davis

The Civically Engaged Reader: A Diverse Collection of Short Provocative Readings on Civic Activity by Adam Davis and Elizabeth Lynn

Reading Resources

✓ Fiction

Poetry

✓ Non-Fiction

Speaker Resources

Bureaus

Humanities Councils

Story Collection Projects

✓ **Additional Web Resources**

Please respond to the following questions that will inform our partnership with the Fetzer Institute.

How could the Fetzer Institute build on the foundation laid by *Building Common Ground* to bring about positive changes for individuals and communities?

Continue what they are doing. Offer more grants through the American Library Association. These grants help us provide the programming we did with this grant money. Without the grant we had decided we would do some of these activities but could not have done those like the Historical Tour where there is a cost involved.

What is your library's role in using dialogue about civility, compassion and community to encourage positive changes for individuals and communities?

We encourage individuals to read and attend book discussions. We added to our collection some of the titles in the online bibliography that we did not have. This will provide more resources for our patrons

and residents. We also try to have a variety of programs where individuals can meet new people and hear new ideas whether it be a historical program or one on community events.

What additional resources and/or programmatic tools could Fetzer and/or the American Library Association provide?

Update the bibliographies on a regular basis then let us know when this is accomplished. Create/develop new and current DVDs on various cultures in our country that we can purchase and add to our collection.

Programs

Program Number	Program Title	Program Type	Speaker	Date	Time	Location	Attendance
1	Book Display	Reflection	no presenter - a display of books	04/01/2012	09:00 AM	Dodge City Public Library	500
2	Hispanic Economic Impact in the Community	Reflection	Dr. Juan Andrade, President of the United States Hispanic Leadership Institute	05/03/2012	08:30 AM	Dodge City Public Library	33
3	A Book Discussion: The Guardians by Ana Castillo	Engagement	Dr. Jane Holwerda, Professor of English & Literature, Dodge City Community College	05/12/2012	04:00 PM	Dodge City Public Library	5
4	Language Fair	Reflection	Michael Biltz and Vicky Ortiz with Dodge City Public Libra, Melanie Parry and Greta Clark with Dodge City Community College and Ryan Ausmus with the Adult Learning Center	06/12/2012	05:00 PM	Dodge City Public Library	41
5	Common Ground Tour: Historical Places in the Dodge City Area	Action	Anthony Lyons, Vice President at Dodge City Community College	08/19/2012	01:00 PM	Dodge City and throughout the area	47
6	Community Cafe: A Discussion of Community, Civility and Compassion in Dodge City	Action	Various community residents and leaders who served as discussion leaders: Greta Clark, Dodge City Community College & chair of the board of our partner; Paula Ripple, retired high school English teacher and currently Trio	09/15/2012	02:00 PM	Dodge City Public Library	23

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RESOLUTION NO. 2010-19

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION, MEMBERSHIP, STRUCTURE AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF A CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD TO ADVISE THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF DODGE CITY, KANSAS, WITH REGARD TO ISSUES AFFECTING MINORITY POPULATIONS WITHIN THE CITY.

WHEREAS, Dodge City has become a city of different races and cultures, religions and beliefs, experiences and traditions and whose cultural life, economy, livability and neighborhoods have been enriched by this growing diversity; and

WHEREAS, the existence of a thriving and diverse community has also raised complex questions about how to build a truly inclusive city; and

WHEREAS, the principals of representative democracy require that the interest of all people be heard and considered in the establishment and administration of ordinances and policies, and in the general governing of the City; and

WHEREAS, the community will benefit from the creation of an organization focused on cultural relations whose mission is to create greater cohesion in our community by promoting mutual respect, dignity and open communication among all people; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of Dodge City to promote and foster goodwill, and through cooperation and conciliation among all groups and segments of the population, to eliminate and prevent within its boundaries discrimination, segregation or separation because of race, color, national origin or ancestry.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the City of Dodge City, Kansas:

SECTION I. That it is advisable, desirable, and will be to the overall benefit of the City of Dodge City, Kansas, to create and establish a City appointed Cultural Relations Advisory Board, (hereinafter referred to as "The Board") which shall act in an advisory capacity to the Governing Body of the City, and as otherwise requested, so as to insure the implementation of the purposes herein below set forth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

1. The purpose of the Cultural Relations Advisory Board is to advise the City Commission related to or affecting minority communities within Dodge City, to monitor the policies and practices of the City of Dodge City to issue fair and equitable application, and to act as a resource for intercultural awareness, education, and celebration among all people.

2. That the members shall be composed of nine representatives, appointed for three (3) year terms by the Mayor of the City with the advice and consent of the City Commission, provided that when initial appointments are made, three (3) shall be for terms which expire January 31, 2012; three (3) shall be for terms which expire January 31, 2013; and three (3) shall be for terms which expire January 31, 2014. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for three (3) years.
3. Membership on the Board will be comprised of nominations from each of the following:
 - Cargill Meat Solutions
 - National Beef Packing
 - Ministerial Alliance
 - United Way
 - USD #443
 - Dodge City Community College/Adult Learning Center
 - Mexican American Ministries
 - Chamber of Commerce
 - At large.
4. Community organizations and groups that represent cultural relations interests will be included on the agenda of the monthly meetings.
5. The Board shall convene in a place and time designated by a vote of the members. At such meeting, the Board shall elect a chairperson for an initial term which expires January 31, 2012, and thereafter for a term of one (1) year, and may elect other officers, adopt bylaws, and determine the time and place for future meetings. A quorum shall consist of five (5) members.
6. The City Manager shall appoint a staff representative to the Board. The staff representative shall assist the Board in the performance of its duties, keep a record of the proceedings of the Board, and notify members of the date, time, and place of meetings of the Board.
7. The Board shall:
 - a) act in an advisory capacity and its function shall be to further amicable relations among the various segments of the population which comprise the City of Dodge City;
 - b) help preserve and further the good name of the City for tolerance and fairness and to promote better relations among its people;
 - c) help make it possible for each citizen to develop talents, abilities, and opportunities without limitations;
 - d) advise the Governing Body on problems affecting human and intergroup relations;

- e) make studies, surveys, and investigations to provide accurate data for orderly and constructive community development and recommend such measures that are deemed necessary to carry out such recommendations;
 - f) consult with and coordinate efforts among agencies, both public and private, such as local businesses, schools, law enforcement agencies, social welfare organizations, youth and senior groups, and other similar groups which function in the field of human relations;
 - g) utilize the resources of individuals and groups towards the improvement of intergroup relations;
 - h) enlist all potential community forces in an effort to make more secure and to extend democratic rights, opportunities and practices, and influence and encourage community support for educational programs and appropriate legislation designed to combat those misconceptions, prejudices, and untruths which tend to set group against group; and
 - i) work to reduce tensions created by ignorance and bigotry, and eliminate discriminatory practices arising from prejudice.
8. The Board, with the prior approval of the Governing Body, may expend funds, may accept contributions from any persons or governmental unit to assist in their efforts, and may enlist the cooperation, including the financial assistance of private, charitable, religions, labor, civic, or benevolent organizations for the purposes set forth. All funds shall be received and disbursed in the name of the City of Dodge City, Kansas. A budget provision for such receipts and expenditures shall be made part of the City's operating budget.
9. The Board shall report and make recommendations to the Governing Body of the City of Dodge City during the regularly scheduled meetings of the Governing Body not less than twice each calendar year commencing in 2011.

SECTION II. That this resolution shall be effective on the date approved and adopted below.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Dodge City, Kansas, this 21st day of June, 2010.

E. Kent Smoll, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nannette Pogue, City Clerk