

**PROPOSED MINUTES
BY GREENVILLE HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL
September 04, 2013**

The Greenville Human Relations Council (GHRC) met Wednesday, September 4, 2013 at 7:00 PM in the third floor conference room (Room 337) of City Hall. Members present denoted by *, members absent denoted by x.

Enji Abdo-*	Marvin Arrington-*	Rodney Coles-*
Loyd Horton-*	Robert Hudak -*	Byung Lee-*
Shaterica Lee-*	Prudencio Martinez-Mengel-x	Terry Parrish-*
Helen Pase-x	Franchine Pena-*	Heena Shah-*
Bonnie Snyder-*	Maurice Whitehurst-x	

Rose Glover, Mayor Pro-Tem-* Cassandra Daniels, Staff Liaison-*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Shaterica Lee, seconded by Heena Shah, to approve the August 2013 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month

Cassandra Daniels stated the Youth Council will host a forum on childhood obesity Thursday, September 19th at 6:30 pm. The forum will take place in the Council Chambers. The Youth Council is planning this event with Dr. David Holder (ECU). You can help by attending the event, or you can assist with getting the word out, and by passing out flyers.

It was discussed at length how the impact of childhood obesity has on our youth. Some of the facts discussed are:

- Childhood obesity has more than doubled in children
- The percentage of children aged 6–11 years in the United States who were obese increased from 7% in 1980 to nearly 18% in 2010.
- In 2010, more than one third of children and adolescents were overweight or obese.
- Overweight is having excess body weight for a particular height from fat, muscle, bone, water, or a combination of these factors and obesity is having excess body fat.

Franchine Pena stated Ashish Khanchandani and David Holder will serve as facilitators. There will be five or six expert panel members from various agencies/organizations in Greenville and Pitt County. The Youth Council main concern is getting youth to attend. It was suggested that we contact the schools to determine if some of the teachers would give extra credit and if the event could be announced doing morning announcements. **Cassandra Daniels** stated because schools don't want to be bombarded with announcing outside events, that not something they will do and many of the teachers don't offer extra credit.

Inclusive Community Breakfast

Cassandra Daniels stated that Inclusive Community Breakfast will take place at the Hilton on Thursday, September 26th at 7:30 am. “Celebrating our Journey: Becoming an Inclusive Community” is the 2013 theme. Patrick House, GIS Planner, for the Community Development Department, will assist with presentation. The 50th Anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington will be incorporated into this year’s event. The program will include a video clipping of Dr. Martin L. King “I Have A Dream Speech”; and a Prezi Presentation of different photos showing the diversity in our community (race, religion, cultural, gender, etc.)

Byung Lee, Chairperson of the Council will serve as Master of Ceremony and City Manager Lipscomb will welcome our guest. Bob Hudak will provide invocation and grace and Franchine Pena will introduce the presentation. Closing remarks will be provided by Bonnie Snyder.

Greenville Human Relations Council – Meeting Night/Time

Cassandra Daniels stated that Helen Pase requested this item to be placed on the agenda. She is concerned that the meetings are on the first Wednesday of each month and the time of the meetings. Helen Pase was unable to attend tonight to express her concerns.

A motion was made by Rodney Coles, seconded by Franchine Pena, to table this item until a later date. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Marvin Arrington, and Loyd Horton, to adjourn until the first Wednesday night in October. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassandra Daniels

Cassandra Daniels
Human Relations Officer