

FHHB Meeting Notes

Wednesday, December 14th

Attendees: Board Members- 5, City Staff- 2, Guests- 2

- I. **Welcome-** Chair Ashleigh Parker Dunston opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- II. **Minutes-** Minutes were reviewed and approved by the board.
- III. **Community Outreach Events-**
 - a. Community Conversation- Dwayne Patterson, Community Engagement, attended the meeting to follow up to the request for City staff to participate on the January Community Conversation panel. The city does not want a staff member of the City to sit on the panel; there isn't fair housing staff that actually does fair housing; therefore there's no one to speak on behalf of the City of Raleigh.
 - b. The organization (City of Raleigh) is not a certified agency. They refer complaints to NC Human Relations Committee. In order to enforce fair housing the organization must be a certified program. The Board should start the conversation with City Council Member Corey Branch regarding City of Raleigh certification. Also, the city attorney or city manager may be able to assist with this process.
 - i. *Questions/ Concerns:* The Board feels that only someone from the city could truly answer questions regarding to housing in Raleigh.
 - c. Analysis of Impediment concerns: Discussion was had regarding the Analysis of Impediments and the final recommendations. Specifically, the recommendation that City of Raleigh have a fair housing enforcement component. The FHHB is not in compliance with the City Ordinance.
 - d. The event will be on January 24th and the focus will be pertaining to housing. There will be panelist who will speak about other housing issues and affordable housing.
 - e. Budget- FY18 (FHHB should put together budget in January for year 2018; City Council will look at budget for 2018 in May 2017)
- IV. **2016-2017 Budget Report** – The treasurer's report was given and approved by the Board.
- V. **Fair Housing Conference Update-**
 - a. Main topics: Jeff w/ legal aide - assist with panel/conference
 - i. Possible Panel discussions : criminal background, reentry as it relates to fair housing, LBGT issues (speaker)(backup), disability (panel)
 - ii. Possible Speakers –
 1. Tim Kane, fair housing litigator. He would be speaking about fair housing in general.
 2. Michelle Alexander (wrote: the new Jim Crow)
 3. Mathew Desmond (book: Evicted)

4. Eddie Glaude (Princeton; African American studies)

- b. Sponsorships: Sponsorship letters will be sent to 83 possible community sponsors.
- c. Giveaways- Board reviewed the inventory list. Board members will come to the January meeting with some giveaway ideas.
- d. Registration Fees: Discussion regarding increasing fees for attendees. Discussion on cutting some of the breakfast costs. Food committee will get two quotes for breakfast (hot breakfast/ continental).

VI. **Community Outreach-**

- a. An update was given on the November community outreach events at the YMCA.

VII. **Quarterly Report-** Board will submit a report to Council in February.

VIII. **Board Votes:** Board members voted regarding using funds for refreshments for the community conversations and requesting City staff to participate on the community conversation panel. There 4 "yays" and 1 "nay" for the item regarding light refreshments and 5 out of 5 "yays" for the item regarding having a City of Raleigh staff member participate in the event. Upon the presence of a quorum and a response from all members of the board, the tallied votes shall result in light refreshments being provided at the event and the approval of a City staff member serving on the panel for the event.