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HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

Date | time Monday, August 20, 2018 7:04 pm | Meeting called to order by Ritu Goel

# Roll Call

**Members:** Ritu Goel, Karell Rose, Lloxci Lopez, Carolyn Carey, Christy Shaher, Michael Pare. **Town Council Liaison:** MJ Hockenbery (half by phone half in person). **Observer:** Mary Etter. **Absent:** Karen Wagner, Bina Pandit

# Approval of Minutes

Michael made motion to accept the minutes, Lloxci seconded, there was discussion on use of names in the minutes going forward. Made note of class at SW town hall Wednesday 8/29 9-12 on how to take minutes, CS will try to attend. Minutes approved.

# Agenda

* Public Input
  + Members from the Kerala Association of CT (KACT) we in attendance for the first part of the meeting and told us of the plight in the southern part of India, due to massive flooding from monsoons, they want to hold a vigil and fundraiser. We suggested places in town, they could possibly use and said that although we cannot specifically help with fundraising, once they have a location for an event we can and would promote it through social media.
* Report of council liaison (via phone)
  + Updated members on
* Changes in By-Laws
  + After a brief discussion on some possible changes and pros and cons of making the bi-laws more specific, it was decided to have members go over the bi-laws, put change suggestions in writing to be emailed to the group so that everyone has enough notice of (possible) change to be able to amend or vote on them at the next meeting.
* Social Media
  + Noted that we were unable to connect with the administrator of the previous page so we had to create a new Facebook page.
  + After a discussion on what should or should not be posted on the page or when, it was determined that we need a separate meeting to suggest guidelines, but for the time being there are 3 admins, if someone wants to post something that was not specifically agreed on by the group that they will contact the other two who will provide opinion as to whether it is appropriate
* International Day of Peace. September 21, 2018
  + Held a great and open discussion about the plans for our first event, made a basic timetable for proposed events and activities
  + Assigned members different tasks to prepare for the next meeting

# Next Meeting

A Special Meeting was proposed for 9/4 to further plan and discuss the International Day of Peace, from 6:15-7:15

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:59 pm and was passed unanimously.