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Human Rights Commission Minutes 04/19/2006

In Attendance: Sheri Baron, Christine Carney, Mahendra Desai, Christine Deshler, A. Nick Minton, Nancy Rhoads, Marlene Schultz, Nancy Sweeney

Absent:

Marlissa Brigggett, Victoria Cohen, Anisha Desai, Arif Khan, Bill Shea

Minutes for March 15th – accepted as amended

Citizens Open Forum – Glenn Koenig was our guest for this evening – he outlined his plans for the premiere of “May 17th” video documentary and a celebration of the two-year anniversary of the advent of same-sex marriage in Massachusetts. The event is scheduled to take place on Saturday, May 20th from 4-8pm at the Whittemore Robbins House. This event is free and open to the public and the documentary is 45 minutes long. The AHRC is a co-sponsor of this event.

The Arlington-Teosinte Sister City Project – the Commission agreed to work with Beth Solzberg, AHS senior, by using our name as sponsors to help get the program off the ground.

Incidents and Complaints – commissioners reviewed the recent incidents forwarded to us by Chief Ryan – Capt. Serson referred to these as spree crimes -

Sub Committee Reports

Dialogues - Marlene will write a note to David Gumpert thanking him for the wonderful Evening with the Author discussion of his book: Inge: A Girl's Journey Through Nazi Europe.

Marlissa Brigggett suggested a book review with Michelle Deakin regarding gay parents to be held May 11th or 16th in conjunction with Betty Connors and the Diversity Group –Nancy Sweeney will follow up.

Positive report regarding the well-attended Bullying Forum recently held at the Ottoson

Other Business

Continued discussion regarding in-state tuition talk; 'Everyday Hero Award;' Town Day; Diversity Task Force mail help; AHRC records review; Rapid Response program; cooperative work with Robbins Library

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