



Community Relations Board
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**Community Relations Board
General Meeting
Thursday, July 12, 2007**
Community Room – (2nd Floor) Room 202
5:30pm – 7pm

**FINAL
Notes**

I. Call to Order

A quorum was not present in order to call the meeting to order. Mr. Rodbard facilitated the discussion. A discussion began at 5:40pm.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: Jessica Hermann-Wilmarth, James Rodbard

Members Not Present: Michael Wilson (Excused), Jake Zulewski (Unexcused), Steven Gerike (Excused)

Others Present: City Liaison Alfrelynn Roberts, John Garry (Visitor/Applicant), Kevin Ford (Visitor)

III. Approval of Agenda – July 12, 2007

Unable to approve

IV. Approval of Minutes & Meeting Notes – May 10, 2007 & June 14, 2007

Unable to approve

V. Discussion of Agenda Items

A. August 4th Rally – Anti-Semitic Rally

Discussed potential impact to community and concerns for the community. Exact location for rally undetermined at this point as all Kalamazoo parks are booked that day. Website address given to members for reference; www.haltturnershow.com/rallagainstgangterrorism.html

B. Discussion and Approval of Prospective Applicant– John Garry

Mr. Gerike emailed his vote for the candidate's approval yielding three votes for the candidate's appointment. CL will send approval for the candidate into City Clerk's office for City Commission approval in July.

C. Schedule Upcoming Community Forum

Discussed possibility of using Lincoln International School in August for a forum. Mr. Rodbard will complete the form and submit it to KPS for approval.

D. Schedule Additional Work Session for Ongoing Work

No Discussion

E. Discussion of Prospective Applicant – *Sonja Renee Leiter*

CL will contact for interview in August

VI. On-Going Issues

A. Community Forum Recap (Brochures & Protocol)

Discussed in section V.

B. Story Corp Project

Explanation of progress

C. Summit on Racism

Explanation of progress

D. National League of Cities: Inclusive Communities

Explanation of progress

VII. Community Involvement

No Discussion

VIII. Other Business/Announcements

No Discussion

IX. Public Comment

No Discussion

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25pm.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

DATE: Thursday, August 9, 2007 · **LOCATION:** Community Room (Room 202) – City Hall 2nd Floor · **TIME:** 5:30pm – 7pm