



Community Relations Board

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**Community Relations Board
General Meeting**

Thursday, May 8, 2008

2nd Floor Conference Room
5:30pm – 7pm

**FINAL
Minutes**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gerike and began at 5:35pm.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: Jessica Hermann-Wilmarth, John Garry, Kevin Ford, James Rodbard, Steven Gerike

Members Not Present:

Visitors: Members of Michigan Organizing Project (MOP) and Kalamazoo Homeless Action Network (KHAN)

Others Present: Alfrelynn Roberts (City Liaison), David Anderson (Commission Liaison)

III. Public Comment

Mike Anderson (MOP) supporting KHAN in implementing a Human Rights ordinance for all immigrants and resolution to City Commission. Other organizers spoke of the Detroit and Hamtramck city ordinances and the benefits and contributions immigrants make in the community. CRB will review information submitted to the City Commission as well as ordinances implemented by other municipalities.

IV. Approval of Agenda – May 8, 2008

Approved with amendment

V. Approval of Minutes – April 10, 2008

Approved without amendment

VI. Discussion of Agenda Items

A. Membership Recruitment

Members reviewed applicant information and interviewed 2 candidates.

B. Goals & Objectives for 2008

Group discussed potential dates and format for group discussions. CL will contact consultant to discuss dates.

C. Facebook Update

Reemphasis of conversation from last month's meeting. CRB will utilize City's MySpace page and stop usage of CRB created Facebook.

VII. On-Going Issues

VIII. Community Involvement

No Discussion

IX. Other Business/Announcements

No Discussion

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

DATE: Thursday, June 12, 2008 · **LOCATION:** Community Room (Room 202) – City Hall 2nd Floor · **TIME:** 5:30pm – 7pm