## **Human Rights Commission**

## Meeting Date 09/13/2010

Room 320

Members PresentMembers AbsentJeannie JacksonLaura GonzalezPatty CsernaiElizabeth HusbandsShirley DeckerLori Flynn TryeeRobert NewbyMaureen EkeSusan Poindexter

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Meeting Called to order at 5:20 pm

Members agreed that P. Csernai take minutes of meeting.

No public comments

Approval of minutes motion by S. Decker 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeannie Jackson

Intern Status: by Jeannie Jackson one has been selected with a backup, details to follow.

No Old Business

## **New Business:**

- 1. Reported by Jeannie Jackson, Sean Novak has been selected to represent the Isabella County Hate Crimes community response team.
- 2. Isabella County will be awarded the Pioneer Award for creating a community response system. This award from Michigan Alliance Against Hate Crimes (MIAAHC) will be accepted by Jeannie Jackson on 09/16/10 on behalf of the county.
- 3. Maureen Eke will be bringing in Alan Jacobs from Chicago who is Holocaust expert to speak publically and also to students at the University. The public lecture will be held on 09/23/10 at the park Library auditorium from 11 to 12:15 pm.

Presentation: Al Flores Michigan Dept of Civil Rights spoke on the status of hate crimes in the State of Michigan. He said that Dan Levy might be able to do a presentation on the Anti Bias Crime Bill for us. A. Flores also addressed the federal bill that now includes Disabilities and Sexual orientation. And the status of a State of Michigan bill to include the same. A Flores gave literature on the demographics of Michigan's top 5 ethnic groups.

Meeting adjourned at 6:06 pm

Respectfully Submitted by P. Csernai