

ST. MARY'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

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**St. Mary's County Human Relations Commission
December 3, 2008
Minutes**

Attendees: Joseph Bush, Jim Hanley, Theo Cramer, Joyce Dyson, Rose Everett and Pam McKay

Guest: Mac McClintock, community member

Staff Liaison: Cynthia Brown, Community Services Division Mgr, Dept of Human Services

The meeting was convened at 5:35 by Chairperson, Joseph Bush.

The November minutes were approved as presented.

Staff Liaison: Cynthia Brown reported the budget remained unchanged from last month and still has a balance of \$2,100.

Update on MLK Breakfast: Theo Cramer, representing the Public Schools and Cynthia Brown, representing County Government, are members of the planning committee. Mac McClintock, who is employed at St. Mary's College, is also a member. The three reported the planning committee is seeking to make the breakfast more diverse this year by inviting a member of the Hispanic community to take a role in the event. The keynote speaker for the event has not been confirmed at this time. Finding a speaker has been a challenge this year, unlike in prior years, because many individuals who were invited to speak have plans to be in Washington, DC for the Inauguration. Once again, the Human Relations Commission (as a County Government advisory board) is listed as a partner in this activity. Flyers and other PR materials are expected to be available in early January.

HRC Breakfast Plans: Membership chose to table this discussion until next month.

Advisory Board Forum: Membership agreed to proceed with plans to convene a forum in 2009 inviting chairpersons from other County advisory boards that have similar missions. The purpose of the forum would be to educate one another on respective goals and activities and to identify common interests and opportunities for collaboration and support. Cynthia was asked to make recommendations at the next meeting on which groups should be invited to participate.

Bylaws: Bylaws were distributed. Time did not permit a review by the membership and it was agreed upon to establish a committee at a later date to review and update.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cynthia Brown