THE COMMUNITY HOUSE RACE RELATIONS & DIVERSITY TASK FORCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING September 19, 2013 8:00am

Present: Jerry Black, Jim Suhay, Bill Fleming, Carletta Griffin, Dwight Levens, Marcia Wilkinson

Staff Liaison: Charlotte Moore

I. President's Report

- 1. Minutes from July 25, 2013 meeting approved.
- 2. Treasurer position remains open.

II. Standing Committee Reports

A. Programs

- 1. Thursday, September 26, 7:00pm "2013 Freedom Tour: A Journey of Discovery", Students from Freedom Tour.
- 2. Donation baskets will be highlighted at the podium and placed on each table.
- 3. Carletta Griffin and Becky Walton will host the registration table.
- 4. Monday, October 21, 7:00pm "Our Fires Still Burn", Native American Film.
- 5. Thursday, December 5, 7:00pm "Lies My Teacher Told Me", Rev. James Loewen.
- 6. Matt Church has a new position and is no longer at Baldwin Library. Marcia Wilkinson will follow up with his replacement for possible Winter/Spring Collaboration.

B. Diversity Champions/MLK

- 1. MLK will remain separate RRTF's signature event and be chaired by Carletta Griffin.
- 2. Carletta will create sample program and bring to next meeting.
- 3. Local speaker will be sought with a max fee of \$500.00.
- 4. Rev. Kenneth Flowers (Greater New Mt. Moriah Baptist Church), and Sam Joseph, Director of Covenant House suggested as potential speakers.
- 5. Question raised: "Do we always have to have a speaker for MLK or can we try something different?"
- 6. Suggestion made to have panel discussion immediately following MLK. Availability of the ballroom and delay in clean up by waitstaff are considerations.
- 7. Diversity Champions will be moved to May and availability for the Ballroom for May 1st or May 8th will be researched.

C. Membership

- 1. Dwight Levens will organize a sub-committee on membership to determine plans for membership growth and dues.
- 2. A letter should be sent explaining why RRTF will now have membership dues.
- 3. Green cards need to be amended to remove "no membership fee" wording.

III. Open Discussion

- 1. Must figure out a way to involve Nissan in all aspects of RRTF.
- 2. Does focusing on money (i.e. membership dues) take away from our vision and directive.
- IV. Date of Next Meeting Thursday, October 24, 2013, 8:00am.