## CHILDREN'S RIGHTS COORDINATING COMMISSION MINUTES March 20, 2017

The Children's Rights Coordinating Commission met at City Hall located at 201 W. Gray Street on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017, at 4:00 p.m. and notice and agenda of the meeting were duly posted 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

PRESENT: Commissioners Jolene Ring, Heidi Smith, Chair, Jon

Williford

ABSENT: Commissioners Stacey Bedgood, Julie Morris, and

Pat Valley

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Lynne Miller, Jeanne Snider, Ali Jaffery, and

Deedra Vice

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Item 2, being:

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA OF THE MARCH 20, 2017 MEETING.

Commissioner Smith moved that the agenda of the March 20, 2017, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission be approved, which motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Ring, and the question being upon approving the March 20, 2017, agenda of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Commissioners Ring, Smith, and Williford

NAYES: None

The Chair declared the motion carried; and the agenda of the March 20, 2017, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission was approved.

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Item 3 being:

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 9, 2015, CHILDREN"MEETING.

Commissioner Smith moved that the minutes of the March 9, 2015, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission be approved, which motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Ring, and the question being upon approving the minutes of the March 9, 2015, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Commissioners Ring, Smith, and Williford

NAYES: None

The Chair declared the motion carried; and the minutes of the March 9, 2015, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission was approved.

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Items submitted for the record:

1. March 9, 2015 minutes of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission

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Item 4 Being:

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 MEETING.

Commissioner Smith moved that the minutes of the September 21, 2015, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission be approved, which motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Ring, and the question being upon approving the minutes of the September 21, 2015, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Commissioners Ring, Smith, and Williford

NAYES: None

The Chair declared the motion carried; and the minutes of the September 21, 2015, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission was approved.

Items submitted for the record:

1. September 21, 2015 minutes of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission

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Item 5 being:

DISCUSSION REGARDING CONTINUATION OF CHILDREN'S RIGHTS COORDINATING COMMISSION.

Mayor Miller was in attendance to discuss the continuation of the Commission. Mrs. Snider presented a historical review of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission's meeting minutes. Reportedly it was found that the Commission had struggled with finding a purpose to meet since it was formed as well as meeting quorums. Initially nonprofit community leaders spoke at meetings about the child resources available through their agencies and there were roundtable discussions without any action items. There had been discussion about a Youth Council and that was formed and continues to date. Commissioners reported that they are unable to make an impact on children's rights due to the resources available through local agencies/schools, state statutes, and lack of specific duties as compared to other Commissions. Rather than disbanding the Commission, it was suggested that a children's rights representative be appointed to the Human Right's Commission. Mrs. Snider will review Norman city ordinances and members on the commissions. Mayor Miller will discuss the suggestion with the Chair of the Human Right's Commission.

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Item 6 being: MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION.

No discussion.

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Item 7 being: ADJOURNMENT.

Commissioner Smith moved that the March 20, 2017, Children's Rights Coordinating Commission meeting was adjourned, which motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Ring, and the question being upon adjourning the March 20, 2017, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Commissioners Ring, Smith, and Williford

NAYES: None

The Chair declared the motion carried, and the March 20, 2017, Children's Rights Coordinating Commission meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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