



**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES**

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**I. Roll Call and Approval of Agenda**

*Members present: Greenwald, Partida, Plank (arr. 7:20), Privateer, Rosen*

*Members absent: Ellstrand, Madani, Friedman, Clinton*

*Agenda approved by consensus.*

**II. Public Comment and Correspondence – No public comment.**

**III. Discussion Item**

**1. Davis Enterprise Political Cartoon from June 25, 2014**

*Commission discussed the political cartoon and whether it was racist or political satire.*

*Commission noted sombreros, stereotyping, and the large number of children as racist elements. Also noted that most children crossing the border now aren't even from Mexico. Discussed what parts of picture are offensive.*

*Rosen: Need to note we have a problem because system is set up to deal with adults not children.*

*Stachowicz read Ellstrand's letter to the editor.*

*Partida: political satire is tough and does not believe in censoring, but is tired of sombreros on every person depicted as Mexican. Depicts border crossers as Mexicans even when most are not Mexican.*

*Rosen: if letter at all should be private*

*Greenwald moved, with a second by Plank, to ask staff to draft a letter for approval by Privateer and Rosen and then send to Debbie Davis privately (as opposed to Letter to the Editor) at The Enterprise.*

**IV. Adjourn**

*The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.*