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IOWA CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION
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DRAFT Minutes Iowa Civil Rights Commission May 15, 2008 Meeting

- I. Roll Call— Alicia Claypool; Debbie Gitchell; Timothy Tutt Rich Eychaner; Rick Morain; Nancy Witt
 1. staff in attendance: Ralph and Crystal
- II. Iowa Civil Rights Commission ---Approval of March Minutes—as emailed—moved by Deb—friendly amendment correcting who was in attendance; seconded by Nancy—voice vote approval
 1. and re-approval of January minutes —moved by Rick, seconded by Debbie
- III. Commissioners' Reports and Subcommittee Reports (incomplete)

Debbie Gitchell— situation in Ames with new residents/new Iowans and creation of local task forces
Rich Eychaner — work in Capitol on subpoena bill; updates on Calif same sex marriage case
Rick Morain – no report
Timothy Tutt –no report
Nancy Witt –work in Capitol on disability and civil rights issues; also reported on local coverage of Postville raid and Waterloo detention;
- IV. **Legislative wrap-up (Ralph)**
 1. 300 day success
 2. Subpoena bill-wait until next year
 3. Overall observation on the past 2 years of legislative and gubernatorial efforts—very successful past 16 months
 4. Ralph is co-ordinator of a state task force formed to respond to Postville
- V. Consideration of Commission position on to join immigration education coalition —moved by Nancy, seconded by Rich; approved by voice vote.
- VI. **Edna Griffin**----plans remain to name offices after Edna on July 7th; plaque made; also Des Moines Commission is planning on an event during Juneteenth events; also plans for advertisements on public accommodation and discrimination laws; and plans for Drake Event
- VII. Next Meetings--
 1. July 7—with school out and considering plans for Edna Griffin office naming ceremony, meeting could be morning or afternoon)
 2. August 14
 3. Oct. 16th
- VIII. Adjournment