



Seattle Immigrant and Refugee Commission
February 7th, 2011, 6:00-8:15 PM
City Hall, Boards and Commissions Room-L280

Meeting Minutes

- Commissioners Present:** Devon Abdallah, Ashraf Alazadi, Cherry Cayabyab, Shree Dahal, Mohamed Sheikh Hassan, Bincy Jacob, Jesus Y. Rodriguez, Magdalena M Rose-Avila, Pradeepta Upadhyay, Yasemin San, Tsegaba Woldhaimanot,
- Commissioners Absent:** Andrea Caupain, Michael Neguse, Pradeepta Upadhyay
- Commissioners by Phone:** None
- SOCR Staff Present:** Julie Nelson, Ron Ramp
- Guests:** Members of the Human Rights Commission, and Seattle University Policy Students
- Guest Speakers:** Ricahrd Hartwell
- Call to Order:** Call to order at 6:00 PM
- Approval of Minutes:** January minutes approved (added Shree Ram Dahal as present in January)

Announcements

SOCR Report

Mike Chin the Enforcement Manager for SOCR gave a presentation on the new paid sick leave ordinance. A presentation slide show was distributed to commissioners prior to the meeting, and at the meeting. The city ordinance has passed and will be in effect September 1st 2012. SOCR will enforce the ordinance, and implement the initial outreach efforts. SOCR would like to work the board in reaching immigrant and refugee communities. Outreach will include immigrant and refugee employees, employers, and general community awareness of the new ordinance. The ordinance covers employees within the city limits of Seattle only. For example if an employer has workers in Seattle, and Bellevue the Seattle workers are covered but the Bellevue workers are not. The ordinance covers temporary and contract workers.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 PM