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Minutes - HGLPC General Meeting 1/8/97

- I. Call to order - The meeting was called to order at 7:50 p.m. by Pat Gandy, President.

Scott Simpson moved to interrupt the agenda to allow the candidates for City Council to speak. The motion carried. The following candidates addressed the caucus: James Dixon, Ray Hill, George Young, Chris Bell and Dionne Roberts.

- II. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the December 4 general meeting. Clarence Bagby moved to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

- III. Treasurer's Report - Patrick McKee distributed the Treasurer's Report. Ray Hill moved to approve the report. The motion carried. 450.00

- IV. Board Report - Board Chair, Matthew Huston reported from the December 11 board meeting:

The 1997 dinner committee, Annise Parker and Jim Owens presented their plans for this year's awards dinner. *Suite 203 @ Montrose*
Membership letters were updated.

A Power Brunch was organized for Sunday, January 12 at the River Cafe featuring Senator John Whitmire.

The board was updated on the status of our website.

The Political Action Committee evaluated the results of the Congressional run-off elections.

The PAC will begin paying the HGLPC educational organization \$50.00 per month for its share of office space.

The board received letters of resignation from Mary Perez (Board Seat #5) and Matthew Huston (Board Seat #4).

- V. Report of Office Committee - Jay Seegers distributed a report from the office space task force. The task force recommended that the general membership choose between leasing office space at 3400 Montrose or 811 Westheimer. Kevin Davidson moved that we lease space at 3400 Montrose. The motion carried.

Clarence bagby moved to direct the board to pursue a lease with the Lovett Inn for monthly general meetings. If suitable terms are not agreed upon, the board would then be directed to pursue a lease with the Holiday Inn-Select. Mike Stubblefield made a substitute motion to direct the board to pursue a lease with the Holiday Inn-Select for general meetings. Mitchell Katine moved to table both motions to the next board meeting. The motion to table carried.

Terri Richardson moved that the caucus thank the Hollyfield Foundation for having leased space to us at such a reasonable rate during the past three years. The motion carried.

→ Dion running for city Council. 498-7832
Looking for young Board members.

(Possibly Good for They)

Mon 24th
6:30P
@ office
Having a Mail
out Session

VI. Election of Officers - Annise Parker and Joe Thornton distributed copies of the election rules.

- A. Last call was made for HGLPC President. Norm Thompson and Lane Lewis had previously nominated themselves for this office. Norm announced that he was removing his name from nomination. Lane was elected President.
- ✓ B. Second call was made for Vice President. There were no nominations. *Nominated Myself -*
- C. Last call was made for Secretary. Scott Simpson had previously nominated himself for this office. Scott was elected Secretary.
- Ponsel* ✓ D. Second call was made for Treasurer. There were no nominations. *Received from Kevin Davidson*
- E. Last call was made for Board Seat #7 (exp. Jan. 2000). Clair Koepsel had previously nominated herself for this board seat. Clair was elected to Board Seat #7.
- F. Last call was made for Board Seat #8 (exp. Jan. 2000). Bill Agosto had previously nominated himself for this board seat. Bill was elected to Board Seat #8.
- G. Last call was made for Board Seat #9 (exp. Jan. 2000). Mike Stubblefield nominated himself for this board seat. Mike was elected to Board Seat #9. *Robert Johnson Nominated self for seat #4*

VII. Old Business - Dinner Committee - Annise Parker reported that she and Jim Owens will be co-chairing the 1997 Awards Dinner Committee. The board has empowered the committee to negotiate with a national organization to co-sponsor the event. The national organization will share in the proceeds and will be responsible for providing a speaker. The dinner effort will be paired with revitalization of the Discrimination Free Zone project. Terri Richardson has volunteered to chair the Discrimination Free Zone effort.

VIII. New Business *Issue of man fined for HIV status.*

- A. Patrick McKee announced that he is resigning as Treasurer. Patrick moved that the board be authorized to appoint an interim Treasurer. The motion carried.
- B. Norm Thompson announced that he is resigning as Vice-President.
- C. First call was made for Board Seat #4 (exp. 1/99). There were no nominations.
- D. First call was made for Board Seat #5 (exp. 1/99). Brandy Miller nominated herself for Board Seat #5.

IX. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m. following a recess for the PAC meeting from 9:00 p.m. to 9:50 p.m.

Scott Simpson - Secretary

Minutes - HGLPC PAC Endorsement Meeting 1/8/97

- I. Call to order - The meeting was called to order at 9:00 p.m. by Pat Gandy, President.
- II. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the December 4 general meeting. Clarence Bagby moved to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Treasurer's Report - Clarence Bagby moved to dispense with the Treasurer's Report which was previously presented. The motion carried.
- IV. Endorsements - Jay Seegers distributed the Screening Committee report on the candidates for City Council. The Screening Committee moved to endorse James Dixon. Gene Harrington made a substitute motion to endorse Ray Hill. The substitute motion carried.
- V. Report of the PAC Chair - Pat Gandy reported there will be a mail out of our City Council endorsement on Saturday, January 11 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Pat announced that she is unable to continue as PAC Chair through the City Council election.

Kevin Davidson moved that Pat Gandy be given a lifetime membership in the caucus for her service as President. The motion carried.
- VI. Announcements - Clarence Bagby announced that the Human Rights Campaign is hosting a Red Tie Ball on February 14 at Parisol Mar Villa. Tickets are \$100.00.
- VII. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Scott Simpson - Secretary

Minutes - Board of Trustees - HGLPC PAC - 1/15/97

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 8:35 p.m. by Board Chair, Clarence Bagby.
- II. Approval of Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the December 11 board meeting. Bill Agosto moved to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Financial Report - Ray Ramirez reported that \$1,600.00 was received Ray Hill's campaign to underwrite our mail-out of his endorsement.
- IV. Election of Board Chair - Clarence Bagby nominated himself for Chair of the Board. Clarence was elected as Chair.
- V. Election of Board Vice Chair - Lu Jack Tyler nominated himself for Vice Chair of the Board. LuJack was elected as Vice Chair.
- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. Screening Committee - Jay Seegers reported on the forthcoming City Council election. LuJack Tyler moved that the HGLPC PAC general membership hold a special endorsement meeting on Wednesday, January 29 in the event of run-off in the City Council election between candidates other than Ray Hill. Mike Stubblefield made a substitute motion to entrust the board to make the endorsement in the event of a run-off. The substitute motion failed. The original motion carried. A mail-out to announce the special endorsement meeting was scheduled for Sunday, January 19. Clarence Bagby requested that the Screening Committee Co-Chairs furnish a copy of the standing rules for screening to be available at all board meetings.
 - B. Ad Hoc Mailing Committee - Clarence Bagby reported on the mail-out for Ray Hill's endorsement.
 - C. Fundraising Committee - LuJack Tyler presented a fundraising proposal for our endorsed candidate in the City Council run-off. A motion was made to authorize expenditures up to \$200.00 (subject to availability of funds) for the fundraiser. The motion carried.
- VII. Old Business - There was no Old Business.
- VIII. New Business - Jay Seegers recommended that announcement of our endorsed candidate in the City Council run-off be mailed out only if funds are available.
- IX. Announcements - Ray Ramirez announced that we should emphasize our endorsement of Ray Hill wholeheartedly.
- X. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Scott Simpson - Secretary

- I. Call to order - The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by President, Lane Lewis.
- II. Candidate Speeches - City Council run-off candidates Chris Bell and James Dixon addressed the caucus.
- III. Endorsement - Jay Seegers distributed the Screening Committee's report on the candidates. Kevin Davidson moved to endorse Chris Bell. John Paul Barniche made a substitute motion to endorse James Dixon. The substitute motion failed. Mike Stubblefield made a substitute motion for no endorsement in the run-off. The substitute motion failed. The original motion to endorse Chris Bell carried.
- IV. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Scott Simpson - Secretary

*(Sunday) 5/11/97 @ Valley Theatre Love, Valor + Compassion
Tickets 25⁰⁰*

*Discussion 2-3,000 owed to LGRL suggest that proceeds from show go to
this organization*

1/3 will go to LGRL (voted in)

501C4 is what HGLPC has, Donations not Tax Deductible

Web site up in next 3 wks.

CWBJ @ AOL for newsletter, May sell ad's.

*Comm
E-mail as Text.*

Minutes - Board of Trustees - HGLPC - 1/15/97

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order a 7:00 p.m. by Board Chair, Clarence Bagby. Members present were Clarence Bagby, LuJack Tyler, Clair Koepsel, Jay Seegers, Bill Agosto, Lane Lewis, Mike Stubblefield, Scott Simpson and Ray Ramirez. Board nominee, Brandy Miller and caucus member, Cicely Wynne were also present.
- II. Approval of Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the December 11 board meeting and special board meeting on January 8. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Financial Report - Ray Ramirez reported on current activity in the treasury.
- IV. Committee and Task Force Reports
 - A. Dinner Committee - Annise Parker, Terri Richardson and Jim Owens distributed a report of their latest plans for the 1997 Awards Dinner which included a proposed budget for the dinner. A motion recommended by the committee was made as follows: "That the board designate an official HGLPC committee, to be known as the Houston Employment Equality Team. That this committee have two subcommittees, the Annual Dinner Committee and the Houston Employment Equality Task Force (HEET). That the existing HGLPC committee known as the Discrimination Free Zone be incorporated into the HEET, and that the existing Dinner Committee be incorporated into the Annual Dinner subcommittee. That the committee be charged with implementing a 'Houston ENDA Project,' as generally outlined in the attached proposal, but with the ability to modify the strategy as it deems necessary. That the committee be chaired by Annise Parker, Jim Owens and Terri Richardson (and a co-chair appointed by our national organization partner, if necessary), with Jim and Annise having responsibility for the Annual Dinner subcommittee and Terri for HEET." The motion carried. A motion recommended by the committee was also made that the preliminary budgets for the Annual Dinner and HEET be approved, with the understanding that actual expenditures may vary. The motion carried.
 - B. Fundraising Committee - LuJack Tyler distributed a report of plans for fundraising and special events.
 - C. Membership Committee - LuJack Tyler distributed a report showing the current membership status.
 - D. Office Space Task Force - Jay Seegers reported that a lease has been drafted with 3400 Montrose for our office space. Mike Stubblefield moved that we hold general meetings at the Holiday Inn-Select. The motion failed. Lane Lewis moved that the general membership discuss meeting location at the February general meeting. Mike Stubblefield made a substitute motion that the February general meeting be held at the Lovett Inn with permanent meeting location as an agenda item for discussion. The substitute motion carried.

E. Information Technology Committee

1. Lane Lewis presented an example of the website.
2. John Freeman reported on membership as follows: The caucus gained 84 new members in 1996, 47 of which joined during the October membership promotion. There were 76 membership renewals and 84 expirations which did not renew in 1996. There are currently 185 members (24 are lifetime). The LGRL list includes an additional 598 members. The board agreed by consensus that the LGRL members become HGLPC members effective January 15, 1997.

F. Membership Survey Task Force - Bill Agosto reported on the responses summarized from the ten surveys received. The survey indicated the three most important functions of the caucus should be: (1) Response to local anti-gay/lesbian discrimination (2) Screening and candidate endorsement and (3) Educating elected officials on gay/lesbian issues. The survey also indicated the most important issues the caucus should address are: (1) Employment non-discrimination, (2) Hate crimes and (3) Repeal of sodomy statute and AIDS issues and legislation.

G. LGRL - Bill Agosto reported on the issues addressed at the last LGRL meeting which Jessie Judice attended. HGLPC's obligation to raise money for LGRL has not been addressed.

V. Old Business - Scott Simpson moved to change the monthly board meeting time from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The motion failed.

VI. New Business

- A. Presidential Appointments - Lane Lewis distributed a list of appointed committee chairs and members. Bill Agosto moved to approve Lane's appointments. The motion carried. Lane also appointed himself, LuJack Tyler, Clair Koepsel and Mike Stubblefield to the Moving Committee to coordinate our office move to 3400 Montrose. Mike Stubblefield moved that a maximum of \$500.00 be authorized for moving expenses. The motion carried.
- B. Election of PAC Board - Clarence Bagby moved that all board members of HGLPC be elected to like positions on the PAC Board of Trustees. The motion carried.
- C. Board Retreat - Clair Koepsel moved to hold a board retreat on Sunday, February 2. The motion carried.
- D. HRC Red Tie Ball - Clarence Bagby moved that we allow the Human Rights Campaign to use our name on their invitations to the Red Tie Ball. The motion carried.

VII. Announcements - Clair Koepsel announced that the Houston Gay/Lesbian Community Center is having a community meeting on Monday, January 20 at 7:00 p.m.

VIII. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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- I. Mixer - A mixer was held from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- II. Call to order - The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Lane Lewis, President.
- ✓ III. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the January 8 general meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried. *671000 I'm operating.*
- IV. Treasurer's Report - Ray Ramirez presented the Treasurer's Report.
- V. Board Report - Board Chair, Clarence Bagby reported from the January board meeting and board retreat. The board will focus on the following five areas during 1997: Public awareness, Fundraising, Inclusion, Membership and Political action. The board will hold another retreat in Austin from March 22 through March 24 in conjunction with the gay and lesbian March on Austin.
- VI. Committee Reports *from 24th Meet out Tues 25th Mail out. Deadline for articles word. 13th.*
 - ✓ A. Public Awareness and Media - Clarence Bagby announced that Cicely Wynne will be editing a newsletter for HGLPC. The deadline for articles and ads for the March issue is Thursday, February 13. Cicely can be contacted at 520-6397 or E-mail at CWBJ@aol.com.
 - ✓ B. Special Events and Fundraising - LuJack Tyler announced that the caucus will be sponsoring a fundraiser at the Alley Theatre on Sunday, May 11 for a preview of the play, "Love, Power and Compassion." Board members will be selling tickets for \$25.00. The fundraising committee will meet on Friday, February 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the HGLPC office. Cicely Wynne moved to designate 1/3 of the net proceeds from this fundraiser to our financial commitment to LGRL (Lesbian and Gay Rights Lobby). The motion carried. *Penny Brunch 12:30-3pm*
- VII. Old Business
 - A. Elections
 1. Vice President - Last call was made for HGLPC Vice President. Bill Clevenger nominated himself for this office. Bill was elected Vice President.
 2. Treasurer - Last call was made for Treasurer. Kevin Davidson nominated himself for this office. Kevin was elected Treasurer.
 3. Board Seat #4 - Last call was made for Board Seat #4 (exp. 1/99). Robert Johnson nominated himself for this board seat. Robert was elected to Board Seat #4.

4. Board Seat #5 - Last call was made for Board Seat #5 (exp. 1/99). Brandy Miller had previously nominated herself for this board seat. Brandy was elected to Board Seat #5.

- B. General Meeting Location - The general membership was agreeable to continue meeting at the Lovett Inn.

VIII. New Business

- A. Bill Agosto announced that the gay and lesbian March on Austin will be on Sunday, March 23.
- B. Annise Parker suggested that HGLPC general meetings be announced in the Houston Chronicle neighborhood section.

- IX. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Scott Simpson - Secretary

Minutes - HGLPC PAC General Meeting 2/5/97

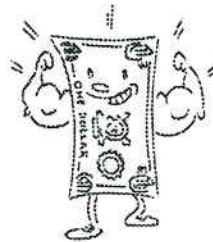
- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 8:01 p.m. by Lane Lewis, President.
- II. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the January 8 general meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Treasurer's Report - Ray Ramirez reported that the PAC account has approximately \$294.87.
- IV. Board Report - Board Chair, Clarence Bagby explained that the HGLPC is a 501.C4 non-profit organization which wholly owns the PAC (Political Action Committee).
- V. Political Action Committee Report
 - A. Mail-out - Jay Seegers announced there will be a mail-out for our endorsement of Chris Bell for City Council (funded by Chris Bell) on Saturday, February 8 at the HGLPC office.
 - B. Fundraiser - Jay Seegers announced that we will host a fundraiser for Chris Bell on Sunday, February 9 at the Moose Cafe from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. A minimum donation of \$10.00 is suggested.
- VI. Old Business - There was no old business.
- VII. New Business - There was no new business.
- VIII. Announcements
 - A. Susan Gates of the Kingwood Area Democrats reported that the Planning and Implementation Committee of the Harris County Democratic Party is coordinating the local clubs and organizations and is seeking a representative from each organization (including HGLPC). Scott Simpson can be contacted for information regarding this committee. Susan also announced that the Women's legislative days in Austin will be February 17 and 18.
 - B. Dionne Roberts, former candidate for City Council reported that she is forming the "New Generation Political Caucus" for people between the ages of 17 and 29 and is seeking board members. Dionne can be contacted at 498-7832.
 - C. Ray Hill reported that the Texas legislature needs our input. Ray urged participation in lobbying efforts for gay and lesbian issues in Austin on Monday, March 24.
- IX. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Scott Simpson - Secretary

1997 HGLPC PLAN

The 1997 goal is to obtain membership of 1,383 members and raise \$96,370.
This will be accomplished by:

1. Victory Club	20
2. Freedom Club	20
2. House Parties	540
3. One Mail solicitation	13
4. Events	100
5. Pride Week	100
6. Newsletter	10
7. Renewals	180



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POWER

TOTAL 983 (+ 400 approx. LGRL) = 1,383 members

1. **Victory Club**

People who contribute \$1200 or more to HGLPC.

To illustrate our appreciation for these individuals, HGLPC will:

- * Give a quarter page ad in all our newsletters to those contributors who request it
- * List those contributors, who request it, as a sponsor of all HGLPC events
- * One year membership to HGLPC
- * Two Honorary tickets for the Annual Awards Dinner
- * Two Honorary tickets to all Power Brunches
- * Be invited to a private event with all HGLPC endorsed political candidates

The main purpose for the funds received from Freedom Club Members is to hire an Executive Director annually.

20 Victory Club Members would yield

\$ 24,000

2.. Freedom Club (President)

People who contribute \$600 or more to HGLPC.

To illustrate our appreciation for these individuals, HGLPC will:

- * Give a quarter page ad in all our newsletters to those contributors who request it
- * List those contributors, who request it, as a sponsor of all HGLPC events
- * One year membership to HGLPC
- * Two Honorary tickets for the Annual Awards Dinner
- * Two Honorary tickets to all Power Brunches

The main purpose for the funds received from Freedom Club Members is for Get Out The Vote (GOTV) efforts.

20 Freedom Club Members would yield	\$ 12,000
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3. **House Parties** (Special Events Committee)

- A. 2 people will use Membership list and coordinate 1 party each, every month. This will yield 2 house parties per month.
- B. Each of the 2 House Parties will host 30 people. 20 will become members and pay \$30 dues. ($30 \times 2 = 60$ members $\times$ \$30 = \$1800)

This provides 540 new Caucus members

630 new names for mailing.

The Caucus collects \$1,800 each month from new dues

\$ 16,800

4. Mail Solicitation

- A. HGLPC will do 1 direct mail solicitation to 25,000 people
- B. .05% will become members at \$ 30
- C. Based on a 2% response from 25,000 names we will receive 500 responses.
- D. .05% will become members at \$ 30 = **13 new members** \$ 390
.05% will contribute \$ 20 = \$ 250
.1% will contribute \$10 = \$ 2500

\$ 3,140

5. **Special Events**

HGLPC will help organize 5 functions in 1997 with another organization which will help raise funds and outreach to new members. These organizations will be our feature story in the monthly newsletter

Our goal is to sign up 20 new members at each function (5x20=100)

We would increase membership by 100 people and collect \$ 3,000

(100 x \$30 = \$300 x 5 = \$1,500)

Joint Events \$ 1,500

Power Brunches \$ 200

Annual Dinner \$30,000

\$ 31,700

6. **Pride Week**

Our goal is to sign up 100 new members during Pride Week

100 new members would raise

\$ 3000

7. **Monthly newsletter**

Every Newsletter will include a call for membership. Our goal is to make the newsletter attractive enough to distribute to outside our membership list.

Thus getting **10 new members** from the medium and earning

\$ 330

8. **Renewals**

\$ 5400

TOTAL \$ 96,370

1,383 members and \$96,370 for the year 1997

AGENDA
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
HOUSTON GAY AND LESBIAN POLITICAL CAUCUS

7 p.m., Wednesday, February 12, 1997
3400 Montrose Boulevard, Suite 203

- ✓ 7 p.m. I. Call to Order
- ✓ 7-7:02 II. Approval of Minutes
- ✓ 7:02-7:05 III. Financial Report – Kevin Davidson
- IV. Committee Reports
- ✓ 7:05-7:15 A. President's Report on Committees
- ✓ 7:15-7:20 B. Fundraising Committee – LuJack Tyler
1. Report on next Power Brunch *Late april*
2. Other fundraising issues
Alley Theatre 5-11-97 611.00 from Anise Parker
- ✓ 7:20-7:25 C. Membership Committee Report – Bill Agosto
1. Total Current Membership *832*
2. Status of addition of LGRL members to HGLPC Membership Database
3. Goals for renewals & new members
Visitor List to get some mailings
- ✓ 7:30-7:35 D. Information Technology Committee – Mike Stubblefield
- Wanting a Bio for the web-site & photo*
1. Status of Web Site *www.GLPC.ORG*
2. Other issues
- ✓ 7:35-7:40 E. LGRL – HGLPC obligations to LGRL – Jesse Judice
- ✓ 7:45-7:50 V. Old Business *None*
- ✓ 7:50-7:55 VI. New Business *Retreat in Austin*
- A. Board Morale and Conduct – Lane Lewis
- B. Meeting with District Attorney's Office
R/T HIV ♂ Fied.
- 7:55-8:00 VII. Announcements
- 8:00-8:05 VIII. Adjournment
- Finance Committee?*

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Vice Chair, LuJack Tyler. Members present were Bill Clevenger, Kevin Davidson, Scott Simpson, Mike Stubblefield, Brandy Miller, Clair Koepsel, Robert Johnson, Jay Seegers, Lane Lewis, Clarence Bagby, LuJack Tyler and Ray Ramirez. Bill Agosto was not present.
- II. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the January 15 board meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Financial Report - Kevin Davidson distributed a form for requesting funds. Kevin reported that he has furnished budget summaries from 1994 to 1996 to the Chair of the Board. Kevin also reported on four outstanding Accounts Receivable from the November election newsletter (a total of approximately \$400.00). Mike Stubblefield volunteered to assist in collecting these accounts.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. President's Report on Committees - Lane Lewis distributed a handout of a plan he has developed to raise funds and increase membership. The plan will be referred to the appropriate committees.
 - B. Fundraising Committee
 1. Power Brunch - LuJack Tyler reported that Robert Mosbacher is interested in being the guest of a Power Brunch sometime in late April.
 2. Other issues - LuJack Tyler announced that the Fundraising Committee will meet on Tuesday, February 18 at the HGLPC office.
 3. Alley Theatre Fundraiser - Lu Jack Tyler reported that Annise Parker loaned the caucus \$611.00 to purchase 47 of the tickets to "Love, Power and Compassion" for resale. Jay Seegers expressed concern that this money was expended without board approval. Jay moved that the board ratify the contract signed by the President to repay the \$611.00 loan from Annise. The motion carried.
 - C. Membership Committee - Jay Seegers reported that he will be responsible for sending out renewal letters. Scott Simpson moved that non-members who attend general meetings be added to membership mailing and phone lists under a special category for a twelve month period. Mike Stubblefield made a substitute motion that the caucus create a new class in the membership database called "Visitor" specifying a twelve month period in which a guest will receive up to three newsletters and an information packet. Kevin Davidson moved to table these motions to the Membership Committee. The motion to table carried.
 - D. Information Technology Committee - Mike Stubblefield requested each board member to submit a personal biography including a photograph. Mike also plans to re-design the HGLPC logo.

- E. LGRL - Clarence Bagby suggested a meeting with local LGRL board members and Diane Hardy-Garcia to discuss HGLPC's role in LGRL. Mike Stubblefield suggested that we meet with Diane during our board retreat in Austin during March. Clair Koepsel, LuJack Tyler and Mike Stubblefield volunteered to participate in the meeting.

V. Old Business - There was no old business.

VI. New Business

- A. Board Morale and Conduct - Lane Lewis led a discussion regarding communication between board members and working together as a team. Clarence Bagby announced we will hold a board retreat in Austin on Saturday, March 22 through Monday, March 24. The retreat will be in conjunction with the gay and lesbian March on Austin on Sunday and lobbying efforts on Monday.
- B. Meeting with District Attorney's Office - Lane Lewis reported that he and Mitchell Katine plan to meet with the State Attorney General's office regarding the local District Attorney's definition of laws regarding disclosure of HIV status to an employer.
- C. Finance Committee - Mike Stubblefield suggested that a finance committee be formed for budget development and long term financial planning for the organization. Clarence Bagby and Kevin Davidson volunteered to analyze the budget information from 1994 to 1996 and make a report.
- D. Financial Commitment for Board Members - LuJack Tyler moved that each board member commit to raising \$1,000.00 for the organization during this year. The motion carried.

VII. Announcements - Brandy Miller announced that newsletter articles are due to Cicely Wynne by Wednesday, February 13. Cicely's E-mail address is cwbj@aol.com.

VIII. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Scott Simpson - Secretary

Minutes - Board of Trustees - HGLPC PAC - 2/12/97

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 8:32 p.m. by Board Chair, Clarence Bagby.
- II. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the January 15 board meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Financial Report - Jay Seegers suggested that any amounts owed to PAC members should be shown as a liability on the balance sheet.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. Screening Committee - Jay Seegers reported on recent gay baiting by James Dixon in the City Council run-off. Mike Stubblefield suggested that each board member write Chris Bell a letter thanking him for his consistent support on our issues during the campaign. Jay distributed pages of a private phone list for board members to phone bank for Chris Bell.
 - B. Fundraising Committee - LuJack Tyler commended Clarence Bagby for organizing the recent fundraiser for Chris Bell. The event raised approximately \$800.00.
- V. Old Business - There was no old business.
- VI. New Business - Run-off Election Activities - Lane Lewis announced that we can hold phone banking for Chris Bell at the office of Marshall Maxwell Entertainment Agency on Friday, February 14 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, February 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. John Freeman will furnish a list of registered voters from certain zip codes of our mailing list.
- VII. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Scott Simpson - Secretary

HGLPC SPECIAL EVENTS AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

The HGLPC SEFC met on both Tuesday, Feb. 24 and Tues. March 3, 1997
LuJack Tyler, Chair, Grant Martin, Brandy Miller, Robert Johnson, DeWayne Ross
and Rich Goen are members of this committee.

a) HGLPC SEFC has discussed, developed a plan to and schedule for HGLPC
House Parties which plan to raise \$3600 for this organization at the end of the year.
The first is scheduled for Wed., March 26, 1997 hosted by lil' Lane Lewis. We are really
excited about House Parties because they will generate guareteed \$ for our
organization.

b) Tickets are currently being sold for the Alley Theatre's Love! Valor!
Compassion!.

c) POWER BRUNCH 5 with Rob Mosbacher is scheduled for Sunday, April 13
at the Moose Cafe located on West Garay Avenue. Former HGLPC President Terri
Richardson will be the guest moderator. This event will be capped at 40 seats.

d) the Victory Club and the Freedom Club was also discussed in great detail and
we are working hard with Grant Martin, who is leading the efforts to developing a
VC/FC brochure. These Clubs are designed to raise \$70,000 for the HGLPC at year
end.

e) The SEFC also established a goal to raise \$100,000 for the Caucus at year end.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 18, 1997 at 7 P.M. 3400 Montrose in Suite
203.



LuJack
SEFC Chairman--1997

RESOLUTION

Whereas existing laws classify marihuana as a schedule I substance and thus arbitrarily prohibit its medical use,

and whereas this substance shows promise in alleviating certain symptoms of HIV infection, and allows the patient better control of dosage than does its active ingredient in pill form,

and wheareas the medical profession is best qualified by its education to make decisions on the medical use of substances,

and whereas these laws may arbitrarily deny the best medical treatment to certain classes of patients, and thus deny to these patients the equal protection of the laws,

be it resolved that it is the position of the Houston Gay/Lesbian Political Caucus that marihuana should be removed from its current classification as a schedule I substance, and that decisions about its medical use should be left to the discretion of the medical profession.

Feb. 21, 1997
5005 Georgi Lane #88
Houston, Texas 77092

The President
Hon. Bill Clinton
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing in dissent to the way you and your attorney general have responded to the way the people of California and Arizona have spoken on the medical use of marihuana. I know that you are obligated to enforce Federal laws, but you don't need to show so much enthusiasm about this particular law. I would prefer that you use the power of your office to change this law - namely to give the medical profession the job of deciding about the use of substances such as marihuana and heroin, instead of having politicians make the decision.

The facts are that marihuana and heroin are classified as schedule I drugs - they are assumed to have no medical value and existing Federal laws prohibit their medical use. Cocaine, on the other hand, is recognized by law to have medical uses. Its use as a local anesthetic was established in the nineteenth century or earlier. It has largely been supplanted by synthetic drugs, such as novocaine, that seem to have no psychoactive properties, but cocaine is still sometimes used because of its haemostatic properties.

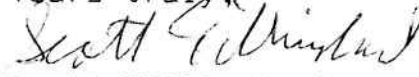
It seems to me that sound medical judgement has been given second place to political correctness. I am also looking at the constitutional principle of equal protection. Certain classes of patients are denied the opportunity of the best treatment because their doctors are arbitrarily denied certain options by existing law.

Defenders of the existing laws would likely argue that the forbidden drugs can escape from the hands of doctors and patients. Nevertheless there is a double standard of cocaine vs. marihuana and heroin. It would be hard to argue that cocaine enjoys more illicit use just because of its legitimate medical use.

You have probably heard a case for medical use of marihuana. Let me mention a medical use of heroin. It has been used in Great Britain as a pain-killer for terminal cancer patients. It is more efficiently taken up by the body than morphine. I would call this an issue that can better be decided by doctors than by legislators.

I think it is high time for this country's politicians to swallow their pride and reconsider the status quo.

Yours truly,


Scott Tillinghast

cc: Attorney General Janet Reno

Feb. 24, 1997
5005 Georgi Lane #88
Houston, Texas 77092

Hon. Glen Maxey
P. O. Box 2910
Austin, Texas 78768-2910

Dear sir:

I am writing in opposition to any new state intervention in the affairs of recreational clubs, such as the Midtowne Spa, or the Club chain. I see parallels with Prohibition in such regulation. I am convinced that the responsibilities for avoiding HIV lie largely with individuals. I think this is only realistic - the male gay community is quite an individualistic one.

Over the years I have been to the Midtowne Spa in Houston. It has not been remiss to the problem of HIV. It has had speakers from the AIDS Foundation of Houston give safer sex workshops. Also it has sponsored free HIV tests for customers and I have supported this by being tested. These services do offer help to customers to deal with HIV, and I hope they will continue, but I would not ask for everything.

Even if guys manage to find casual sex in places like these, consider the alternatives - places like truck-stops that provide no encouragement to practice safer sex. Those places could be compared to the "bathtub gin" of the 1920's that was often poisoned with wood alcohol.

The late Randy Shilts once remarked, in an interview [Advocate June 15, 1993, p. 37], that the gay/lesbian movement is rooted largely in the political left, which does not exactly accept individual responsibility as an article of faith. I consider that to be a shortcoming. I think that any program of HIV prevention, to be successful, must take individualism into account.

It has over 15 years since HIV made its presence known to the world, and the male gay community has made do in learning to avoid HIV, with a pretty hands-off policy from government. It would be mighty late in the game to switch to a paternalistic policy.

Concerns have been voiced about the impact of these clubs on their neighbors. I feel safe in saying that no one would know what the two clubs on Fannin Street in Houston are, without going out of their way to find out.

Let me put the question into a broader context. The law professor Laurence Tribe recently remarked: "Too much law, too little justice; too many rules, too few results - that is our problem". This country has the highest rate of incarceration of any country in the world and our state has the highest in the union.

Leaders of the political party that now controls Congress frequently talk about "less government", and yet often promote government intervention on issues like abortion. I strongly believe that the best role that Democrats can play is to target laws that attempt to govern more or less private behavior.

Yours truly,


Scott Tillinghast

cc: I am distributing copies, in particular to the Midtowne Spa, Houston, and Club Houston.

AGENDA - HGLPC/PAC
March 5, 1997

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|-------------|--------|--|
| 8:33 pm | ✓ I. | Call to order and acknowledgement of Parliamentarian |
| 8:33 - 8:34 | ✓ II. | Approval of minutes |
| 8:34 - 8:36 | ✓ III. | Treasurer Report - Kevin Davidson |
| 8:36 - 8:45 | ✓ IV. | Chair of Board report - Clarence Bagby |
| | A. | Committee reports |
| | 1. | Political Action Committee - Jay Seegers/Ray Ramirez |
| 8:45 - 8:50 | ✓ VI. | Old Business |
| 8:50 - 8:58 | ✓ VII. | New Business |
| 8:58 - 9:00 | VIII. | Announcements |
| 9:00 | ✓ IX. | Adjournment |

*Voted to support Women in
Pearland School Board Race.
"Peggy Buttch"*

Bill C

AGENDA - HGLPC
March 5, 1997

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| 7:00 pm | I. Mixer |
| 7:30 - 7:31 | II. Call to order and acknowledgement of Parliamentarian |
| 7:31 - 7:33 | III. Approval of minutes |
| 7:33 - 7:35 | IV. Treasurer Report - Kevin Davidson |
| 7:35 - 7:40 | V. Special Announcements |
| 7:40 - 7:55 | VI. Chair of Board report - Clarence Bagby |
| | A. Committee reports |
| | 1. Public Awareness & Media - Brandy Miller |
| | 2. Membership - Bill Augusto |
| | 3. Special Events & Fundraising - LuJack Tyler |
| | 4. Information & Technology - Mike Stubblefield |
| | 5. Houston Employment Equality Team - HEET |
| 7:55 - 8:05 | VII. Old Business |
| | A. March On Austin - Bill Augusto |
| 8:05 - 8:30 | VII. New Business |
| | A. 1997 Plan |
| | B. City Council re-districting |
| | C. Medical Marijuana |
| 8:30 - 8:32 | VIII. Announcements |
| 8:32 | IX. Adjournment |

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*Sat 22nd Begins
Sun. March 23rd*

Passed 5 any opposition.

Minutes - HGLPC General Meeting 3/5/97

- I. Mixer - A mixer was held from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- II. Call to order - The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Lane Lewis, President. Lane announced that Annise Parker would serve as the Parliamentarian for the meeting.
- III. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the February 5 general meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- IV. Treasurer's Report - Kevin Davidson distributed the Treasurer's Report.
- V. Special Announcements
 - A. George Grenias addressed the caucus and announced that he is seriously considering running for Mayor this year and will seek the HGLPC PAC endorsement.
 - B. Annise Parker announced that she is planning to run for the at-large City Council seat currently held by Gracie Saenz who is term-limited.
- VI. Board Report - Board Chair, Clarence Bagby reported that each board member has committed to individually raising \$1,000.00 for the caucus this year. A board retreat in Austin is planned for the weekend of the LGRL March on Austin.
- VII. Committee Reports
 - A. Public Awareness & Media - Cicely Wynne announced that the March newsletter has been mailed out. Articles for the April newsletter are due by Wednesday, March 12. The mail-out party for the April newsletter will be on Tuesday, March 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the HGLPC office.
 - B. Membership - Bill Agosto announced that the Membership Committee will meet on Sunday, March 9 at 4:00 p.m. at the HGLPC office. The committee plans to contact members of the caucus who are not currently active in the organization and urge them to become active.
 - C. Special Events & Fundraising - LuJack Tyler announce that the first HGLPC House Party will be held on Wednesday, March 26 at Lane Lewis' home. Tickets are currently on sale for the Sunday, May 11 performance of "Love! Valour! Compassion!" at the Alley Theatre. Tickets are \$25.00 for individuals and \$50.00 for sponsors. Power Brunch V with Rob Mosbacher, Jr. is scheduled for Sunday, April 13 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Moose Cafe. Terri Richardson will be the moderator. Grant Martin and Lane Lewis are working on a brochure for the Victory Club and Freedom Club to raise funds for the caucus. The committee has set a goal of \$100,000.00 to raise for the caucus this year.
 - D. Houston Employment Equality Team (HEET) - Jim Owens, Annise Parker, Harold Shultz and Terri Richardson reported on the latest plans and progress for the HEET project and 1997 Awards Dinner. Harold Shultz will be co-chairing the HEET project with Terri Richardson. A volunteer form was distributed for everyone interested in helping with these projects. The dinner committee will meet on Monday, March 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the HGLPC office. The HEET project will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 10 at the HGLPC office.

VIII. Old Business - March on Austin - Bill Agosto reported on plans for the LGRL March on Austin on Sunday, March 23 and lobbying for gay and lesbian issues on Monday, March 24. Bill distributed an agenda of activities planned for the weekend.

IX. New Business

- A. 1997 Plan - Lane Lewis distributed a fundraising plan for 1997 which includes goals of raising \$96,370.00 during the year and gaining 1,383 new members. Annise Parker moved that the caucus endorse the goals of the plan and do our best to achieve them. The motion carried.
- B. City Council Re-districting - Jim Owens reported on a recent meeting called by City Councilman, Jew Don Boney for constituents of City Council District 'D' regarding re-districting. Jim presented maps of the proposed changes to District 'D' which have some impact on the Montrose area.
- C. Medical Marijuana - Scott Tillinghast presented a resolution regarding use of marijuana for medicinal purposes. Ray Hill suggested hosting a community forum on this issue. Scott Simpson moved to table to the board a discussion on hosting a community forum on the subject of medical marijuana. The motion carried.

X. Announcements

- A. Ray Hill announced that he will be participating in a convention for ex-convicts on Saturday, March 8 and Sunday, March 9 at the First Baptist Church of the Heights. Reverend James Dixon is scheduled to speak on "Preventing former convicts from becoming perverts."
- B. Clarence Bagby announced that the Human Rights Campaign had a recent conference in Washington, D.C. HRC is being very bi-partisan in their efforts to get the Employment Non-discrimination Act passed. HRC gave 1.1 million dollars in direct contributions to candidates last year.

XI. Adjournment - The meeting wa adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Scott Simpson - Secretary

AGENDA

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

HOUSTON GAY AND LESBIAN POLITICAL CAUCUS

7 p.m., Wednesday, March 12, 1997

3400 Montrose Boulevard, Suite 203

✓ 7 p.m.

I. Call to Order

✓ 7-7:02

II. Approval of Minutes

✓ 7:02-7:05

III. Financial Report – Kevin Davidson

IV. Committee Reports

✓ 7:05-7:15

A. President's Report on Committees

✓ 7:15-7:20

B. Fundraising Committee – LuJack Tyler

4/9 Police Chief mtg expense 75.00 (approved.)

✓ 1. Report on next Power Brunch

✓ 2. Other fundraising issues – Alley, etc... Tickets out of 48 sold 15

✓ 7:20-7:25

C. Membership Committee Report – Bill Agosto

✓ 1. Total Current Membership 795 members.

✓ 2. Status of addition of LGRL members to HGLPC Membership Database

✓ 3. Goals for renewals & new members
20.00 Rate for April for new members.

✓ 7:30-7:35

D. Information Technology Committee – Mike Stubblefield

1. Status of Web Site

2. Other issues media workshop-

✓ 7:35-7:40

E. LGRL – HGLPC obligations to LGRL – Bill Agosto

✓ 7:45-7:50

V. Old Business

✓ 7:50-7:55

VI. New Business

A. Meeting with District Attorney's Office – Lane Lewis

Keys for the next mtg.

✓ 7:55-8:00

VII. Announcements

8:00-8:05

VIII. Adjournment

(May 14th table discussion on Legal Marijuana.)

* Board mtg 3rd Wed of the Month proposed 7pm
* motion Carried

motion Carried

Retreat
SAT 12-13
SUN 9-12

AGENDA
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
HOUSTON GAY AND LESBIAN POLITICAL CAUCUS
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

8:10 p.m., Wednesday, March 12, 1997
3400 Montrose Boulevard, Suite 203

✓ 8:45 ~~8:10~~ p.m.

I. Call to Order

✓ ~~8:10~~-8:12

II. Approval of Minutes

✓ 8:12-8:20

III. Financial Report – Kevin Davidson + 389.⁰⁰

one for 300.00 postage

✓ ~~8:20~~-8:25

IV. Committee Reports

Bill + Terry to PAC Steering Committee

✓ 8:25-8:30

A. Screening Committee – Jay Seegers and Ray Ramirez

✓ 8:30-8:35

B. Fundraising Committee – LuJack Tyler

1. General Fundraising issues

✓ 8:35-8:40

VII. Old Business

✓ 8:40-8:45

VIII. New Business

✓ 8:45-8:50

A. General

✓ 8:50-8:55

IX. Announcements

✓ 8:55-9 pm

X. Adjournment

8:50

PAC ACTIVITIES AND KEY DATES FOR 1997

I. Primary Areas of Focus

- GOTV and Candidate Support Activities
- Screening and Endorsing
- Enhance PAC's Role with LGRL and State Lobbying Activities
- Enhance PAC's Role with HEET and Other Local Activities Including Anisse Parker Campaign

II. GOTV and Candidate Support Activities (for November Election)

- Phone Banking -- Assign PAC member to head. Hold phone banking marathon weekend before November election (10/31 - 11/2). Hold at Marshall Maxwell's per tentative agreement with him.
- Block Walking -- Assign PAC member to head. Block walk on penultimate weekend before election (10/25 - 10/26).
- Election Newsletter -- Assign PAC member(s) to head. Find member to sell advertising. Mailout 10/17 - 10/26.
- Coordinated Publication of Endorsements -- Lane Lewis, as PAC President, will be official spokesperson. Clarence Bagby, Ray Ramirez and Jay Seegers will make supporting statements. First press release will announce endorsements made at September meeting. Press releases should be provided for at least every issue of community newspapers until election (announcing GOTV and Candidate Support activities, etc.).
- Candidate Liaison -- Assign PAC member to head.
- Fundraiser/Cocktail Party for Endorsed Candidates -- VIP cocktail party for Victory Club and Freedom Club members, with follow-up fundraiser for all members of community.

III. Screening and Endorsing (for November Election)

- Two Screening Panels -- Assign two PAC members to head. Training for new screening members during week of 8/11. Candidate Screening 8/18 - 8/31. Screening Panels meet for recommendation on 9/2. Endorsement meeting on 9/3. Letters to candidates who screened to be sent 9/4 - 9/7.

IV. Enhance PAC's Role with LGRL and State Lobbying Activities

- Ask Bill Agosto to serve as a committee member of PAC.
- Replace Jesse Judice as PAC representative on board of LGRL with Bill Agosto.
- Draft state lobbying initiatives for PAC Board approval and for Agosto to convey to LGRL.
- Agosto shall report on LGRL activities at all membership meetings and Board meetings.
- Work with LGRL to help in lobbying effort.

V. Enhance PAC's Role with HEET

- Ask Terri Richardson to serve as committee member of PAC.
- Coordinate efforts of PAC to assist with HEET.
- Help Coordinate Volunteer Effort for Anisse Parker Campaign.

p General Body Elects.

Ray Ramirez / Jay Seegers

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board Vice Chair, LuJack Tyler. Members present were LuJack Tyler, Kevin Davidson, Scott Simpson, Mike Stubblefield, Brandy Miller, Clair Koepsel, Jay Seegers, Robert Johnson, Ray Ramirez, Bill Agosto, Clarence Bagby and Lane Lewis. Ray Hill was also present. Bill Clevenger was not present.
- II. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the March 12 board meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Financial Report - Kevin Davidson distributed the Treasurer's Report.
- IV. President's Report on Nominations - Lane Lewis announced that he is appointing a "Board Productivity and Responsibility" Committee. This is a short term committee that will meet during the next month and report back to the board at the next board meeting. Lane Lewis, LuJack Tyler, Robert Johnson, Jay Seegers and Brandy Miller were designated as members of this committee.
- V. Committee Reports
 - A. Special Events & Fundraising
 1. Special General Meeting - LuJack Tyler announced that the meeting with Police Chief, Clarence Bradford (co-sponsored by P-Flag) has been moved to Wednesday, May 14 at 7:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Select.
 2. Alley Theatre - LuJack Tyler moved that the board approve an expenditure of \$611.00 to purchase the remaining half of the Alley Theatre tickets. The motion carried.
 3. Administrative Matters - LuJack Tyler reported that he will begin handling press releases for special events and fundraisers. LuJack also reported on recent problems with checks and forms for fundraisers not being picked up from the HGLPC mail box in a timely manner. LuJack moved that the Treasurer be given the key to the mail box. Lane Lewis moved to enter Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. A motion was made to leave Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. Mike Stubblefield made the following resolution: "Whereas LuJack Tyler has selflessly worked hard to ensure that fundraising events are successful. As a board, we applaud LuJack's work and commitment to raising money for the organization."
 - B. Membership - Bill Agosto distributed the Membership Committee Report.
 - C. Information Technology
 1. Web Site Status - Mike Stubblefield reported that board member biographies and information on committees is still needed for the HGLPC web site. Lane Lewis announced that May 16 will be the deadline to submit committee information and bios to Mike. Mike's E-mail address is mike_st@iah.com.

2. Mailing Lists - Mike Stubblefield reported that the HGLPC mailing list contains approximately 9,000 to 11,000 names. The list containing approximately 30,000 names belongs to Mike Stubblefield and John Freeman. Lane Lewis will contact John Freeman to clarify HGLPC's involvement with the larger list.

D. Public Awareness - Lane Lewis reported that press releases will begin going out on Mondays.

VI. Old Business

- A. Meeting with District Attorney's Office - Lane Lewis reported that Mitchel Katine's meetings with the State Attorney General's office regarding disclosure of HIV status to employers have not been productive.
- B. LGRL - Clarence Bagby reported on the current status of the Hate Crimes Bill in Austin. Bill Agosto volunteered to write a letter to Diane Hardy-Garcia to verify our financial status with LGRL.

VII. New Business - "Ellen" Ad Controversy - Scott Simpson reported on his telephone conversations with HRC regarding their advertisement which Channel 13 has refused to air. HRC will hold a press conference regarding this issue on Tuesday, April 22 at 10:30 a.m. at the Lovett Inn. Lane Lewis suggested taking action on other businesses which have pulled their advertising from the Ellen broadcast.

VIII. Announcements

- A. Clair Koepsel announced that James Grace was recently hospitalized.
- B. Lane Lewis announced that the American Family Association is planning to hold a meeting at a shopping mall in Victoria, Texas at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 17. They will show an anti-gay video.

IX. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Scott Simpson, Secretary

Minutes - Board of Trustees - HGLPC PAC - 4/16/97

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 8:32 p.m. by Board Vice Chair, LuJack Tyler.
- II. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the March 12 board meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Financial Report - Kevin Davidson distributed the Treasurer's Report.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. Special Events & Fundraising - LuJack Tyler reported that Power Brunch V was very successful. A power brunch with all the mayoral candidates is tentatively planned for June.
 - B. Screening Committee - Ray Ramirez and Jay Seegers distributed the PAC Report. Ray asked the board for suggestions for our participation in Pride Week activities.
- V. Old Business - Pearland School Board Election - Ray Ramirez reported that Peggy Bittick has been advised that an HGLPC endorsement would not be appropriate because this is a Pearland (not Houston) election. Peggy welcomes our support, however.
- VI. New Business - There was no new business.
- VIII. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Scott Simpson, Secretary

HGLPC Membership Committee Report

May 21, 1997

Approximately 1150 labels have been printed for the May newsletter mailing.

The membership committee plans to write renewal letters to all expired memberships on the mailing list to allow ample time for any renewals to participate in this year's endorsement meeting. That will require about 350 letters based on current expiration information.

We have approximately 800 unexpired members on the rolls currently. They include LGRL joint memberships.

A new membership application form has been completed.

Bill Agosto
Membership Committee Chair

Minutes - Board of Trustees - HGLPC 5/21/97

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board Chair, Clarence Bagby. Members present were Clarence Bagby, LuJack Tyler, Kevin Davidson, Scott Simpson, Mike Stubblefield, Clair Koepsel, Jay Seegers, Robert Johnson, Ray Ramirez, Bill Agosto, Lane Lewis and Bill Clevenger. Brandy Miller was not present.
- II. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the April 16 board meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Financial Report - Kevin Davidson distributed the Treasurer's Report.
 - A. Credit Card Payments - Kevin Davidson moved to allow the Annise Parker campaign to use HGLPC's Master Card/Visa processing capabilities for her campaign. The motion failed.
 - B. Victory Club Account - Kevin Davidson moved to open a Money Market account with \$500.00 for the Victory Club funds. The motion carried.
- IV. President's Report on Nominations
 - A. Board Development Committee - Lane Lewis announced that the recommendations and proposed by-law amendments from the Board Development Committee will be tabled until after the November elections.
 - B. Budget - Lane Lewis reported that Robert Johnson is developing a budget for HGLPC. Lane, Robert and Clarence Bagby will meet and finalize the budget. Robert requested input from the committee chairs regarding budget needs for each committee.
- V. Committee Reports
 - A. Special Events & Fundraising
 1. Recent Events - LuJack Tyler reported that the Chief of Police Forum and the Alley Theatre fundraiser were successful and well attended.
 2. Pride Week - LuJack Tyler moved to expend up to \$450.00 to create a Pride Week float for HGLPC. The motion failed. Lane Lewis moved to spend \$100.00 for the walking entry fee and up to \$100.00 for HGLPC glow-in-the-dark necklaces to be distributed. Kevin Davidson made a substitute motion to limit the expenditure to the \$100.00 walking entry fee. The substitute motion carried. Robert Johnson and Jay Seegers volunteered to donate \$100.00 each towards the construction of a float for HGLPC.
 - B. Membership - Bill Agosto distributed the Membership Committee report. Bill reported that labels were ready for the newsletter mail-out which will be at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 22.
 - C. Information Technology - Bill Agosto reported that the membership list of 1,150 names has been installed into HGLPC's computer. Lane Lewis reported that John Freeman will install the mailing list of approximately 11,000 names into the HGLPC computer. Lane also reported that the list of approximately 30,000 names was paid for by John Freeman and will not be installed into our system. Bill Agosto moved to assign the project of enlarging the HGLPC mailing list to the Membership Committee. The motion carried.

- D. Public Awareness - Lane Lewis reported that press releases have gone out and the newsletter is ready to be mailed.
- E. Dinner/HEET - Lane Lewis announced that Annise Parker has resigned from the Dinner Committee to focus on her campaign for City Council. Lane also reported that the other caucus members previously working on the dinner are heavily involved with Annise's campaign and may not be able to continue planning the dinner. Clarence Bagby volunteered to contact Jim Owens and Lane volunteered to contact Terri Richardson regarding the status of plans for the dinner..

F. LGRL

1. Financial Status - Clarence Bagby reported that \$170.00 (1/3 of the proceeds from the Alley Theatre fundraiser) should be paid to LGRL. Bill Agosto distributed his draft of a letter to Diane Hardy-Garcia requesting written verification of our financial status with LGRL.
2. Legislation - Mike Stubblefield urged the board to focus on educating State Representatives and State Senators regarding the need for Section 21.06 to be removed from the State penal code.
3. Board Seat - Jay Seegers moved that Bill Agosto be designated the HGLPC member on the LGRL board. The motion carried.

VI. Old Business - There was no old business.

- VII. New Business - Parking Ordinance - Lane Lewis reported that he and LuJack Tyler attended the committee meeting regarding the proposed "Resident Permit Parking Ordinance". The committee did not have a quorum and will meet during June. Lane also reported that Metro Police are launching "Zero Tolerance" campaigns in Montrose initiated by local Civic Associations. Lane contacted Police Chief Bradford and requested that HGLPC be notified of such actions. Scott Simpson urged board members to attend Neartown and Avondale Civic Association meetings to provide input on these issues. Ray Ramirez suggested that HGLPC join the Lower Westheimer Business Alliance.

VIII. Announcements

- A. Thomas Street Clinic - Clair Koepsel announced the recent news that the Harris County Hospital District was not selected by the State to continue as an HMO. As a result, Medicare and Medicaid patients will no longer be eligible for treatment at Thomas Street Clinic. Clair urged board members to contact local officials to remedy this situation. Ray Ramirez moved that we write a letter to the County Commissioners expressing our concerns regarding the Harris County Hospital District. The motion carried. LuJack Tyler suggested that the letter include a request for a meeting with the Commissioners. Clair volunteered to write the letter.
- B. Special Events - Mike Stubblefield distributed a flyer announcing a program "Ray Hill Speaks Out" to be presented at the Actor's Workshop, 1006 Chartres. The show will run from Thursday, May 29 through Sunday, June 1. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be purchased from Mike.

IX. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Scott Simpson, Secretary

Agenda

HGLPC Board of Trustees

Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, June 18, 1997 – 7 until 8 p.m.
HGLPC Offices, 3400 Montrose Boulevard, Suite 203

Facilitator: Clarence Bagby, Chair
Note taker: Scott Simpson, Secretary
Timekeeper: Bill Clevenger

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20.00 for ad*

Attendees:

Please read: Attached are several documents for your records and/or interest.

Agenda topics

7:00-7:02 PM	I. Approval of Minutes	
7:02-7:10 PM	II. Financial Report	Kevin Davidson
	A. General	
	B. Separate Victory Club account	
7:10-7:15 PM	III. President's Report on Nominations	Lane Lewis
7:15-7:40 PM	IV. Committee and Regular Reports	Committee Chairs
7:15-7:20 PM	A. Special Events & Fundraising	LuJack Tyler
	1. Pride Week	
7:20-7:25 PM	A. Membership	Bill Agosto
	1. Current Membership	
	2. Freedom Club and Victory Club Membership	
7:25-7:30 PM	A. Information Technology	Mike Stubblefield
	1. Web Site Status & Maintenance	<i>MIKE.ST@IAH.COM</i>
	2. Status of Mailing Lists	
7:30-7:35 PM	D. Public Awareness	Clarence Bagby
	1. Press Releases	
	2. HGLPC News	
7:35-7:40 PM	E. Dinner/Houston Employment Equality Team	???
	F. LGRL	Bill Agosto
7:40-7:45 PM	V. Old Business	
7:45-7:55 PM	VI. New Business	
	A. Debra Danburg – speaking at General Meeting	
	B. Rodney Ellis – Pride Week participation	
7:55-8 PM	VII. Announcements	
8 PM	VIII. Adjournment	

Agenda

HGLPC PAC Board of Trustees

Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, June 18, 1997 – 8 until 8:50 p.m.

HGLPC Offices, 3400 Montrose Boulevard, Suite 203

Facilitator:

Clarence Bagby, Chair

Note taker:

Scott Simpson, Secretary

Timekeeper:

Bill Clevenger

Attendees:

Please read:

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Agenda topics

8:00-8:02 PM

I. Approval of Minutes

8:02-8:05 PM

II. Financial Report

Kevin Davidson

8:05-8:10 PM

III. President's Report on Nominations

Lane Lewis

8:10-8:30 PM

IV. Committee Reports

Committee Chairs

8:10-8:20 PM

A. Special Events & Fundraising

LuJack Tyler

1. Next Power Brunch

8:20-8:30 PM

B. Screening Committee

Jay Seegers & Ray Ramirez

8:30-8:35 PM

V. Old Business

8:35-8:40 PM

VI. New Business

A. Phone Banking

Lou Vanech

8:40-8:45 PM

VII. Announcements

8:45-8:50 PM

VIII. Adjournment

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Treasurer, Kevin Davidson. Members present were Kevin Davidson, Scott Simpson, Mike Stubblefield, Clair Koepsel, Jay Seegers, Bill Agosto, Lane Lewis, Ray Ramirez, Clarence Bagby and LuJack Tyler. Ray Hill and Jack Valinski were also present. Bill Clevenger and Robert Johnson were not present.
- II. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the June 18 board meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Financial Report - Kevin Davidson distributed the Treasurer's Report. A reconciliation of proceeds from the Alley Theatre fundraiser is still outstanding.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. Special Events & Fundraising - Pride Week - Clarence Bagby will check on the status of funds collected but not spent on the float.
 - B. Membership
 1. Current Membership - Bill Agosto reported that we have five new members and three renewals. Current membership is 1,145 (including LGRL members). Bill reported that the printer for our computer is having problems. Bill will get an estimate for repair.
 2. Liberty Club - Clarence Bagby presented a proposal for a sustaining membership program for \$10.00 per month. Scott Simpson moved that the Liberty Club plan be implemented by the Membership Committee. Kevin Davidson amended the motion that an option to designate these funds to the PAC be eliminated. The amended motion carried. Clarence issued a challenge to each board member to become a Liberty Club member.
 - C. Information Technology - Mike Stubblefield announced that he still needs bios from each board member. Mike reported that the HGLPC mailing list is currently on his system and will be transferred to the HGLPC computer on Thursday, July 17.
 - D. Public Awareness - Clarence Bagby challenged each board member to find an advertiser for our monthly newsletter.
 - E. LGRL - Bill Agosto announced that he will be attending the LGRL board retreat in Austin on August 2.

V. Old Business - There was no old business.

VI. New Business

- A. Mailing List - Jack Valinski presented a proposal to combine the mailing lists of HGLPC and Pride Week to increase accuracy of updates and reduce return postage expense. HGLPC would need to invest in a zip drive (approx. \$200.00) and a Filemaker program (approx. \$100.00). Jay Seegers moved to set up a committee to meet with Jack and further develop this proposal to be presented to the board during the August board meeting. The motion carried. Clarence Bagby, Bill Agosto and Mike Stubblefield volunteered to serve on this committee.
- B. Dinner - Kevin Davidson moved that we have an Awards Dinner in the fall. Scott Simpson amended the motion that Clarence Bagby be designated as Chair of the dinner. The amended motion carried.

VII. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Scott Simpson, Secretary

I move that if the gross profits from the October 4, 1997 Awards Dinner exceed \$ 2,000 that a reserve fund of \$1,000 be established to fund future Operating Expenses of the Caucus. If the gross profits from the October 4, 1997 Awards Dinner exceed \$3,000, the reserve fund will be established with a balance of \$ 1,500.

Operating Expenses are limited to office rent, office utilities, office supplies (not including equipment or software), office stationery and postage (not including newsletter printing, paper or postage). Withdrawals from the reserve will be replenished on a monthly basis **prior to the payment or any other authorized expense** such that the balance of the reserve will be built to its original beginning balance prior to the payment of other expenses.

Use of the reserve funds for any purpose other than Operating Expenses requires a unanimous (excluding abstentions) vote of the Board Members attending a duly convened meeting of the Board, or a three-fourths vote of the general membership of a duly convened meeting of the Caucus.

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1/1/97 Through 8/20/97

Subcategory	Total
INCOME	
Bank Interest	6.06
Donations	480.00
Liberty Club	50.00
Meeting Collections	635.00
Memberships	
New	1,730.00
Renewal	1,096.50
Total Memberships	2,826.50
Newsletter Revenue	
Advertising	25.00
General	20.00
Total Newsletter Revenue	45.00
Project Revenue	
Alley97	1,802.75
Brunch	259.00
Pride Parade	230.00
Total Project Revenue	2,291.75
Victory Fund	1,300.00
TOTAL INCOME	7,634.31
EXPENSES	
Bank Charges	
Merchant Disc	119.50
Monthly	46.42
Total Bank Charges	165.92
Committees	
Membership	39.87
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Newsletter Expenses	
General	282.40
Monthly	1,686.54
Total Newsletter Expenses	1,968.94
Office Expenses	
Miscellaneous	210.00
Printing	317.44
Telephone	630.90
Utilities	63.54
Total Office Expenses	1,221.88
Project Expenses	
Alley Theatre	1,222.00
PowerBrunch	37.73
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Rent	
Meeting Room	363.24
Office	2,277.75
Office/Albany	350.00
Total Rent	2,990.99
Return Postage	117.56
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CURRENT NET WORTH
As of 8/20/97

ASSETS	Total
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HGLPC-Operating	511.71
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I&T Equipment	5,379.04
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PAC Income	
1-18-97 City Council	1,680.00
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Income - Unassigned	0.00
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Office Expenses	
Treasurer	100.00
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Minutes - Board of Trustees - HGLPC PAC - 7/16/97

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 8:30 p.m. by Board Chair, Clarence Bagby.
- II. Minutes - Scott Simpson distributed the minutes from the June 18 board meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
- III. Financial Report - Kevin Davidson distributed the Treasurer's Report.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. Special Events & Fundraising - LuJack Tyler announced that he is no longer able to serve as Chair of the Special Events & Fundraising Committee.
 - B. Screening Committee - Jay Seegers reported that screening for City Council Position #1 will take place on July 29 and July 31. Jay Seegers, Ray Ramirez, Clair Koepsel and Bill Agosto will be on the screening panel. Jay moved that the board recommend to the general membership that we hold the endorsement meeting for all races except City Council Position #1 in September instead of October. The motion carried.
- V. Old Business - There was no old business.
- VI. New Business - Election Newsletter - Kevin Davidson moved that we accept Patrick McIlvain's offer to sell ads for the election newsletter at a 15% commission rate and maintain record keeping in accordance with PAC reporting requirements. The motion carried.
- VII. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Scott Simpson - Secretary

AGENDA
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
HOUSTON GAY AND LESBIAN POLITICAL CAUCUS

7 p.m., Wednesday, August 20, 1997
4438 Hollow Hook Road

open 7:15 J. Approval of Minutes

✓ II. Financial Report

✓ III. Nominations

*Remove Stubbfield, Appoint
Info + Technology.*

Brian

IV. Committee and Regular Reports

✓ A. Special Events & Fundraising

1. Pride Parade accounting -- \$150 overage - *Send Letter to Lu Jack*
2. Alley Theater accounting *Will Send Letter.*

✓ B. Membership

1. Current Membership *1180 Password Protect
Names on office Computer.*
2. Freedom Club and Victory Club Membership
3. Status of Mailing Lists

✓ C. Awards Dinner

1. Location *4-Seasons.*
2. LiB Parker Campaign reception *if doesn't exclude men.*
3. Other

✓ C. Information Technology

1. Web Site Status & Maintenance
2. Status of file transfer pending since April

➔ D. Public Awareness

1. Press Releases
2. *HGLPC News*

E. LGRL

1. Fundraising Responsibilities *Develop action items.
+ Fundraising.*
2. Other issues

F. Liberty Club *5 members paying so far.*

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

✓ A. Houston Lesbian and Gay Community Center

B. Other

VII. Announcements

VIII. Adjournment

Received Tickets

AGENDA
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
HOUSTON GAY AND LESBIAN POLITICAL CAUCUS
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

8 p.m., Wednesday, August 20, 1997
4438 Hollow Hook Road

- ✓ I. Approval of Minutes
- ✓ II. Financial Report
- ✓ III. Nominations
- ✓ IV. Committee Reports
 - ✓ A. Special Events & Fundraising
 - B. Screening Committee
 - 1. Discussion of District D race
 - C. Election Newsletter
 - D. Phone Banking
 - E. Block Walking
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business
- VII. Ammouncements
- VIII. Adjournment