Community Council minutes, 13 January 2016

Pedro Gatos calls the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

1. Last meetings minutes are in today. Unanimously approved.

2. Greg, we should collaborate with “Recognize Good”. They honor Austin persons and groups who help the community. We could exchange lists of persons and groups. They could be given some air time to talk about their honorees. They give cash awards to those who are honored. Greg will meet with them.

3. 2016 KOOP Annual Culturally and Historically Significant Events Calendar.
   Pedro, we could have at least two more events in August and October, perhaps a third in December. Everyone should think of possible historical events and subjects to celebrate. Susan mentioned animal rights. Pedro mentioned a veterans event. Indigenous people’s event. Pedro mentioned that a person is needed to coordinate each event promotion, see that all programmers are informed.

4. MLK Day celebration event. Greg will do a show featuring the MLK event on Monday Jan. 18th. A discussion ensued on producing PSAs. Pedro requested a written set of instructions, a timeline. Greg said they should be from 30 seconds to 45 seconds in length and produced at least three weeks in advance of the event. Greg will be happy to show people how this is done.

5. 2016 C.C. budget request and a Tech Team Emergency Compensation payment line item recommendation. Susan requested funds for a tent for outside tabling, a banner, and funds for the annual open house. Roscoe moved that we ask for a $500 budget. Richard Franklin seconded. Unanimous approval.
   Pedro, C.C. recommends that Emergency Tech persons should be compensated and recognized. Pedro will write the formal proposal.

6. Open Forum and updates.
   Susan Slatterly said the Programming Committee asked or show suggestions. Greg mentioned the Irish Council. Greg will meet with Mayor Adler to talk about affordable housing. There will be a “Vietnam Summit”, a series of panel discussions on the Vietnam war at the LBJ Library in April. C.C. board member Kalan Kucera works at the LBJ Library and can help coordinate a show on KOOP radio with Greg, Alan, a Vietnam veteran, and guests.

   There will be a candidates forum for the Del Valley area at the Victory Grill on Wednesday the 20th at 7 p.m. Richard Franklin, a CC board member is among the
candidates. Richard spoke of the poor losing their ability to afford to stay in many parts of Austin. We talked about transportation and the lack of mass transportation. Richard mentioned large housing developments without access to health care. All were encouraged to attend the candidate forum.

Next meeting ????

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.