



## **Meeting Minutes**

First Floor Conference Room, City Hall

April 18, 2018

3:00pm

**Commission members present:** Deb Aden, Sheila Sandness, Sarah Jo Jorgensen, Kendra Gottsleben, and Deirdre DiMemmo (present telephonically)

**Commission members absent:** Kimberly Huff and Tana Zwart

**Staff present:** Colleen Moran, Assistant City Attorney and Valerie Schonewill, Human Relations Specialist

### **Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 3:03 p.m.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The March 2018 minutes were unanimously approved.

### **Upcoming Events**

1. ARTability: final logistics were discussed for the ARTability event on 4/20, such as labels, food delivery, flowers, and music.
2. Compassionate Challenge: Jorgensen shared a description of the Compassionate Sioux Falls event at the library on 4/28.
3. Compassionate Kids Camps: it was discussed that this summer's camps are almost all already full, but in the future this group should encourage children with disabilities to attend and promote the event.
4. Next projects were discussed. The I Am Project will be ongoing. The group also talked about the education we've received over the last several months and which things were important to communicate to the public. Sexual assault and affordable housing came up as the top two. Moran discussed an upcoming Civil Rights Conference in the fall, Aden, DiMemmo, and Jorgensen volunteered to be a part of planning it.

### **Civil Rights Update**

Schonewill reported on Human Relations Office discrimination cases, and that 20 out of 41 open cases are disability related (about 49%). There were also recent settlements with the EEOC and the DOJ related to disability discrimination both in campus housing and employment.

### **Public Comment**

No public was present for public comment.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 4:07 pm.

The next DAC meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2018 at 3 p.m. in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

*These minutes submitted by Valerie Schonewill.*