



Meeting Minutes

First Floor Conference Room, City Hall

May 16, 2018

3:00pm

Commission members present: Deb Aden, Kendra Gottsleben, Deirdre DiMemmo, Kimberly Huff, Tana Zwart, Josh Reinfeld, Morgan Jackson

Commission members absent: Sheila Sandness, Sarah Jo Jorgensen

Staff present: Valerie Schonewill, Human Relations Specialist

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:06 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The April minutes had a misspelling on Deirdre DiMemmo's name. They will be corrected and submitted in June.

Old Business

1. ARTability: the commission agreed the event was an overall success. Some suggestions were made for next year: change the time from 5:30 – 7:30, start planning and advertising sooner. Advertise in city calendars, SD Arts Council, 605 Magazine. A concern was also raised with the parking at the Museum of Visual Materials.
2. Compassionate Challenge: Schonewill shared a recap of the Compassionate Sioux Falls event at the library on 4/28, many people attended and participated in activities, it was successful.

New Business

New commissioners Josh Reinfeld and Morgan Jackson introduced themselves to the commission.

Parking signs will be the next project. Schonewill will schedule a time with one of the City producers to photograph Zwart and her friend who volunteered to help with this project.

Election of New Officers

Tabled until June.

Civil Rights Update

Schonewill reported on Human Relations Office discrimination cases: 20 out of the 44 open discrimination cases in Human Relations are based on disability. Down to 45%, but still the largest percentage. The next two are race (11) and sex/gender (10).

There was a settlement between the DOJ and the City of Denver regarding a denial of an accommodation request for an employee in the sheriff's department with diabetes. Received \$100,000 in damages.

A teacher in South Carolina was fired after he disclosed that he participates in a supervised medication-assisted treatment program for an opioid addiction. Received \$5,000 in damages.

Public Comment

No public was present for public comment.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm.

The next DAC meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2018 at 12 p.m. in the Commission Room on first floor, City Hall.

These minutes submitted by Valerie Schonewill.