


<b>MINUTES</b>	Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 12:00 PM	
Human Relations Commission Meeting	Commission Room 1st Floor—City Hall 224 West Ninth Street Sioux Falls, South Dakota or by teleconference at 1-408-418- 9388, Access Code 1870 98 6049##	

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tony Burke, Kassidi Smith, Sheku Bannister, Megan Grode Wolters, Karen Gourley, Nassir Yemam

**PRESENT BY PHONE:** Megan Myers, Anny Libengood, Justine Schoolmeester

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:** Sharla Svennes, Lyndsey Meier

**CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 12:06 p.m.

**ADOPT THE AGENDA**

A motion was made by Burke and seconded by Grode-Wolters to adopt agenda. Motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Grode-Wolters and seconded by Smith to approve minutes from the August 2021 meeting. Motion passed.

**BUSINESS OR PENDING ISSUES BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD**

- A. Guest speaker: Tim Jurgens, LSS Center for New Americans. Mr. Jurgens was not present and hopefully this agenda item will be rescheduled.
- B. Guest speaker: Moses Idris, Community Outreach Consultant for Avera Health. Moses discussed lack of access to many members of our community and ongoing need to provide resources and opportunities to minorities. The Community Collaboration Event has been postponed due to Covid-19 and a rescheduled date has yet to be determined.
- C. Board Member Roundtable Introductions. Commissioners introduced themselves and shared background information.
- D. Discussion regarding meeting day/time and scheduling working session. Commission consensus for meetings to remain the same day and time; second Thursday of each month at 12:00pm. Working session scheduled for February 17, 2022 from 11:00am-1:00pm.

**UPDATE REGARDING HUMAN RELATIONS OFFICE**

Due to time constraints, this agenda item and remaining agenda items were moved to next month's meeting.

**DIVISION STATISTICS**

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**CIVIL RIGHTS UPDATE**

Discussion held regarding Mayor TenHaken's presentation to commemorate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, which is being held at Van Eps Park on Monday, 17, 2022 at 11:00am and is open to the public. Grode-Wolters, Myers, and Libengood plan on attending on behalf of HRC.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

No public input.

**NEXT MEETING**

February 10, 2022

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn made by Gourley and seconded by Grode-Wolters. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 1:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyndsey Meier  
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