

MINUTES

Thursday, February 16, 2017



Sioux Falls
Human Relations
Commission

12 Noon—1 p.m.
Commission Room
First Floor, City Hall

Commissioners:

Present: John Jones, Bill Wood, Sarah Bouwman, Jack Mortenson, Shirley Halleen, Henry Scere, Deborah Deng,

Absent: Joanne Haase, Stephen Brennan, James Larson, Alex Ramirez

Staff: Ryan Sage, Assistant City Attorney; Jennifer Tuttle, Human Relations Specialist

DAC Member Present: none

Guests Present: none

1. Call to Order/Welcome Guests

The meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the January 19, 2017 meeting minutes was made and seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Disability Awareness Commission Update

Tuttle provided an update on the DAC activities. ArtAbility will take place on the first Friday in April at the Museum of Visual Materials. The Horse Barn has requested that the DAC take a tour of their facility and give feedback on accessibility. The DAC will hold their March meeting at the Horse Barn.

Civil Rights Update

A. Sage provided updates on three cases of discrimination.

4. New Business

A. Housing Presentation: Sage provided a housing presentation to the Human Relations Commission.

B. Human Relations Office Statistics: Sage provided the January statistics for the Human Relations Office and also gave the current February statistics.

5. Continuing Business

A. Roles and Responsibilities/Committee Assignments

- a. The Commission members continued to discuss ideas supporting its roles and responsibilities. Members suggested possible opportunities where Commission members could have a presence and where they could present information.
- b. Members have decided they would focus on Housing and Employment.

6. Public Comment - none

7. Adjournment

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jennifer Tuttle.