

MINUTES

Thursday, April 20, 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, Shirley Halleen, Alex Ramirez, Henry Scere

Absent: Stephen Brennan, James Larson, Jack Mortenson, Deborah Deng

Staff: Ryan Sage, Assistant City Attorney

DAC Member Present: none

Guests Present: none

1. Call to Order/Welcome Guests

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the March 16, 2017 meeting minutes was made by Bouwman and seconded by Halleen. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Disability Awareness Commission Update

Sage provided an update on the DAC activities. ArtAbility was successful. The Commission will work on two projects and project committees were formed.

Civil Rights Update

A. Sage provided updates on two cases of discrimination.

4. New Business

A. Human Relations Office Statistics: Sage provided the April statistics through April 18, 2017.

B. The Commission has two vacancies as of May 1, 2017. Sage encouraged the Commission to invite interested community members to apply.

C. Elections for Chair, Vice-Chair, and 3rd Officer will take place at the May 18, 2017 meeting.

5. Continuing Business

A. Roles and Responsibilities

a. The item was tabled until the next meeting.

6. Public Comment –

No public comment.

7. Adjournment

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ryan Sage. The next Human Relations Commission meeting will be May 18, 2017.