

Disability Awareness Commission
Minutes
First Floor Conference Room, City Hall
July 20, 2011 3:00pm

Call to Order

Co-chairperson Carmichael called the meeting to order at 3:03 PM.

Commission members present: Travis Arneson, Julie Briggs, Patty Brooks, Peggy Carmichael, Misty Farabee, Nancy Johnson, and Vicki Nelson.

Commission members absent: Ardell Fiedler and Lynda O'Connor-Ohayon

Staff present: Colleen Moran, Human Relations Manager and Carol Garry, Human Relations Assistant

Guest(s) present:

Welcome Guest(s)

Approval of Minutes

Brooks moved to approve the May 18, 2011, meeting minutes; Johnson seconded.
The meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Continuing Business

ADA Resource Library – Discussed a bookmark to be handed out at the event and for other events the DAC is part of.

ArtAbility 2011 – Lori Smith is the new contact and she has confirmed the date is reserved.

A poster will displayed at the ADA Celebration

Awareness Training – The Sanford training has been confirmed for October.

Moran needs to have a presentation summary and bio(s) of presenter(s) by July 31st for the Diversity Conference. The Conference's speakers committee would like a different presentation than the one presented in 2009.

Gas Station Stickers – Arneson reported – no committee meeting

Arneson called Shell – they do have a sticker available for gas stations. They require the station owner to call and request a sticker. He tried to get in touch with someone higher up to get some. Research found Fuel Call. Hy-Vee has this. The committee could write a letters looking for stickers.

Hotel Survey Update – Brooks/Farabee reported

Sent email to Convention/Visitors Bureau – no acknowledgement and are no completed surveys posted on their website that was forwarded to the CVB from the Committee. The

Committee needs to meet with the CVB. The Committee asked if Moran or the Mayor could help get this set up.

New Business

Commission Orientation & Review of Commission handbook– Staff reported

The handbook was reviewed. Outdated handouts were removed and updates were added. Moran asked if the Commission knows of any information to add to let staff know.

HRC Report

The HRC elected new officers at their May meeting. The HRC's committees were reformed. The Enforcement Committee has changed to the Executive Committee and the officers are the members. The Education Committee and Events Committee are made up using the five new members of the Commission. They are continuing to work on ideas for the 'Isn't that Ridiculous' campaign and plan to create a video for training and awareness purposes. They'd like to have the video prepared in time for a presentation at the Diversity Conference.

Public Comment

Adjournment

Having no further business, **Briggs moved and Johnson seconded to adjourn**; the meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 17, 2011 @ 3:00pm, First Floor Meeting Room, City Hall.

Minutes submitted by Carol Garry.