

Richfield Human Rights Commission
Monthly Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2018

Members Present: Mark Westergaard, Debbie Eng, Sarah Musgrave, Heather Eastlund, Brett Stursa, Ben Sunderlin, Husniyah Dent Bradley, Katherine Goodemote

Guests: Judy Nelson Moe and Raven

No Liaisons present

1. Call to Order and Attendance

Chair Westergaard called the meeting to order at 6:36

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved Stursa/Seconded Dent Bradley

3. Approval of Minutes

Moved Stursa/Seconded Musgrave

4. Open Public Comment

Judy Nelson Moe and her daughter Raven spoke about accessibility issues in Richfield that they have encountered (ie, curb cutouts at major intersections – 63rd and Nicollet, bushes blocking intersections, etc.). RHRC asked that Raven and Judy put together a list of Richfield accessibility issues that the RHRC could assist them with.

5. Welcome New Commissioner Katherine Goodemote

6. Reports

a. Chair's report

1. Jeff Wright has resigned from the RHRC.
2. Human Trafficking event has been cancelled.
3. Discussed RHRC reading children's human right stories at Augsburg Library as a possible community event.
4. Chair discussed that RHRC has an annual budget of \$500 of which about 20% is used for the Outstanding Citizen award. The amount available to the RHRC is more than previously thought.

b. Secretary – No Report

c. Vice Chair – No Report

d. Liaison Reports – No Reports

7. New Business

- a. Census involvement by the RHRC - RHRC encourages all interested commissioners to become involved in this project but has decided to decline becoming the lead organization on this project. Mark will inform the City of Richfield.

8. Unfinished Business

- a. HRC Flier/Brochure Team - Commissioners approved proposed RHRC brochure as presented by Brett. Thanks to the team for updating this important document.
- b. Penn Fest Planning - Brett reports that planning has continued for Penn Fest and asks that commissioners be available to staff the RHRC table. RHRC approved printing costs for the revised RHRC informational brochure.
- c. Islam 101 – On hold for now.
- d. Bylaws Committee - Suggested changes will be discussed at the September meeting
- e. 2019 Speaker ideas – Ben discussed process of moving forward with speaker series.
- f. Naturalization Ceremony at Holy Angels – Ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, February 19, 2019

9. Announcements/Open Forum

10. Next Meeting: **Tuesday, September 4th @ 6:30 PM**

11. Adjourn

Respectfully submitted:
Debbie Eng for Carrie Chillman