



Bismarck Human Relations Committee

4/18/2022 - Minutes

Call To Order

Chair Vannett called the meeting to order at 5:20 PM.

Roll Call

Committee members present were Darcy Andahl, Jason Grueneich, Thea Jorgensen, Trevor Vannett, Sargianna Wutzke, and Carl Young. Jason Tomanek with the City of Bismarck was also present.

Committee members Julie Ramos Lagos, Nicole Ralph, and Sashay Schettler were absent.

HRC Mission

Chair Vannett read the mission statement.

1. Public Comment

There was no public for comment.

2. Approval Of Meeting Minutes

Chair Vannett called for consideration of the March 21, 2022, meeting minutes.

Motion: Darcy Andahl motioned to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2022, meeting as presented. Sargianna Wutzke seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved, with committee members in attendance voting in favor of the motion.

3. Review Anti-Hate Crime Ordinance

Jason Grueneich provided an update on the draft Hate Crime Ordinance. Mr. Grueneich indicated that the item will be introduced at the May 10, 2022, City Commission meeting. The commission's action at that time will be to consider the draft ordinance and to call for a public hearing. It is anticipated that the public hearing will be held on May 24, 2022. Committee members are encouraged to attend the commission meetings to show support for the ordinance.

4. 2022 HRC Goals

A. Build Committee Recognition

The group agreed to develop two unique public service announcements. The first will be to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the HRC. The second will be a timeless message highlighting the works of the HRC and its role in our community.

B. Diversity University

- Band Night Parade | May 13, 2022 - The group has been registered for the parade and all members are encouraged to attend.
- Capital Pride | Summer 2022 - The group discussed the different levels of support for the Capital Pride sponsorship opportunities.
 - **Motion:** Jason Grueneich made a motion to mimic the 2021 Capital Pride level of support and participate in a Caring Community Sponsor at the \$250 level, Sargianna Wutzke seconded, and it was unanimously approved, with committee members in attendance voting in favor of the motion.

1. Hosted Events

2. Partnered Events

C. Youth Engagement

- Student Art Show - The committee discussed developing plans to support a student art show during the fall of 2022. The general consensus would be to have two groups of students; grades 4-8 and grades 9-12.

D. Municipal Equality Index Rating

Jason Grueneich and Jason Tomanek agreed to meet in April 2022 to compile responses in support of the 2022 Municipal Equality Index Rating.

5. Other Business

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.