



Bismarck Human Relations Committee

4/17/2023 - Minutes

Call To Order

Chair Grueneich called the meeting to order at 5:19 PM.

Roll Call

Committee members present were Gabrielle Abouassaly, Darcy Andahl, Jason Grueneich, Sashay Schettler, and Sargianna Wutzke. Jason Tomanek and Whitnie Olsen with the City of Bismarck were also present.

Geraldine Ambe, Thea Jorgensen, Nicole Ralph, and Carl Young were absent.

HRC Mission

Chair Grueneich read the mission statement.

1. Public Comment

No public comment was received.

2. Approval Of Meeting Minutes

Chair Grueneich called for the consideration of the March 20, 2023, meeting minutes.

Motion: Darcy Andahl motioned to approve the March 20, 2023, meeting minutes as presented. Geraldine Ambe seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved, with committee members in attendance voting in favor of the motion.

3. Partnered Events

A. Band Night Parade

The group discussed their participation in the 2023 Band Night Parade on Friday, May 12, 2023. Members discussed their willingness to participate and adorn a vehicle with appropriate HRC banners and information supporting the "These Are Your Neighbors" podcast.

4. Build Committee Recognition

A. These Are Your Neighbors Podcast

Sargianna Wutzke provided an update regarding the podcast. They continue to record on schedule, with new episodes airing regularly.

5. Annual Report

The Committee review the Annual Report prepared by Member Wutzke. They will discuss report items quarterly going forward to lessen the burden of preparing the report annually. Member Wutzke will deliver the report on April 25, 2023 to the Bismarck City Commission.

6. Budget 2024

Committee members requested City Administration request a budget increase for 2024 to provide direct support for the Martin Luther King Day Celebration.

A. Purchasing Promotional Materials For Committee Events.

The Committee reviewed materials provided by City Administration. They approved purchasing banners, reusable bags, can coolers, notebooks, and stickers. City Administration will purchase the materials and have them available prior to the Band Night Parade.

7. Other Business

- ND Indian Education Summit
- Partnership with Fargo Human Rights Committee

Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.