

# Disability Awareness Commission

## Minutes

Human Relations Conference Room

June 18, 2008 3:00pm

### Call to Order

Co-chairperson Pokela called the meeting to order at 3:02PM.

Commission members present: Peggy Carmichael, Misty Farabee, Brett Johnson, Nancy Johnson and Amy Pokela.

Commission members absent: Patty Brooks, Ardell Fiedler, Brad Friez, and Mary Hurd.

Staff present: Carol Garry

Guest(s) present:

### Welcome Guests

### Approval of Minutes

**Carmichael moved to approve the May 21, 2008, meeting minutes; Nancy Johnson seconded. The meeting minutes were approved as presented.**

### Continuing Business

NOD Award Update – Reviewed assignments. Farabee made calls regarding emergency management; waiting return calls.

As a reminder the assignments are:

Garry: proofing/editing & Promoting Accessibility (board/officials info)

Farabee: Emergency Management

Pokela: Promoting Participation

Fiedler/Friez: Employability

Brooks: Communicating a Welcoming Attitude

Brooks: Inspiring Others

Carmichael/N. Johnson: Other

Demographics: Should be the same as previous year since a new census hasn't been done since 2000.

***As of July 31<sup>st</sup>, the 2008 application is not available on NOD website.***

Hotel Guide – We are waiting for the new ADA Coordinator to review before proceeding. The CVB now has information on their website. We need to ask them to link directly to Transit and Human Relations and not link through the City. It is an extra step.

ADA Celebration – DTSF took two sandwich boards to place downtown to advertise the Celebration. The next committee meeting is June 19<sup>th</sup>.

### New Business

People First Language – nothing is complete. Staff is working on a draft letter; will keep working until the August meeting.

### **HRC Report**

Garry reported. Mary Hurd will not be able to attend the HRC meetings as DAC liaison. Staff will send the meeting calendar to Carmichael & Pokela and between the two of them; one should be able to attend. (Pokela is DAC co-chair and Carmichael is 3<sup>rd</sup> officer)

### **Public Comment**

### **Adjournment**

Having no further business; the meeting adjourned at 3:55p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2008, @ 3:00pm, Human Relations Conference Room, City Hall.

Action Plan for August 20<sup>th</sup>:

- NOD Award Application
- People First Language
- Hotel Guide

Minutes submitted by Carol Garry.