

**MOORHEAD HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2006  
7:00 PM  
MOORHEAD CITY HALL  
FIRST FLOOR SOUTH CONFERENCE ROOM**

ATTENDANCE:

Current Members Present: Phyllis Emmel, Dr. Richard Adler, Kevin Kopperud, LaVerne Czichotzki, Stephanie Chimeziri, Dorene Neeland, Del Rae Williams

Members Absent: Verna Paul, Greg Lemke, Brian Arett, Erin Clark, Tammie Yak

Others present: Kim Wangler, City of Moorhead staff  
Enson Maattala, citizen

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS: The meeting was called to order by Chair Dr. Adler. Introductions were made.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA: *Action taken:* Emmel made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Neeland. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

MEETING MINUTES: *Action taken:* Emmel made a motion to approve the August 16, 2006 minutes, second by Chimeziri. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: Maattala recommended watching the movie Mississippi Burning and reading the book, "Breaking Down the Walls," by Glenn and Raleigh.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT: The education committee has not met due to meeting time conflicts.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT: The Moorhead Human Rights Commission participated in the International Fair night of Moorhead RiverArts, the Power Bowl Parade and the Universal Living Wage event on the Main Avenue Bridge. Williams agreed to chair this committee and Neeland and Chimeziri will also serve.

Discussion was held on developing the Moorhead Human Rights Commission website and a new logo. Wangler will contact MSUM, Concordia or MN Community and Tech colleges graphic communications departments.

Wangler will update committee lists and get information to committee members.

HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION: No human rights education. Williams and Emmel will do the Human Rights Education in October and bring back information from Annual LMHRC Conference as well as the "This is My Home" human rights workshop.

HUMAN RIGHTS STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP: Wangler will talk to Yak and confirm the October 7<sup>th</sup> Strategic Planning Workshop date at the Hjerkomst Center. Wangler will email the groups with workshop agenda.

HUMAN RIGHTS AWARDS REPORT: Williams visited with Lauri Winterfeldt-Shanks and reported that the Moorhead Schools and Moorhead Community Education will not be doing the Building Unity In Our Community event but will be having mini workshops on MLK Jr., Day with some workshops focusing on Human Rights. It was suggested to contact Abner Arauza or Brittany Goodman at MSUM to see if the Moorhead Human Rights Awards Recognition could be a part of the Unity Conference.

LEAGUE OF MINNESOTA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSIONS ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND TRAINING FOR “THIS IS MY HOME”: Emmel, Neeland, Yak and Williams have indicated that they will attend. No new report.

HUMAN RIGHTS CENTER REPORT: Dr. Adler met with John Marks from Trollwood and was asked to send a report on Human Right Center ideas to Vicki Chepulis.

OTHER BUSINESS: Upcoming events were discussed. Wangler will email dates, times and details of various events to commission members.

The next meeting is October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in Moorhead City Hall, First Floor South Conference Room.

Meeting was adjourned by chair.