

City of Moorhead
Human Rights Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2011 at 6:00 PM
City Hall Council Chambers

[Call to order](#) – 6:01 PM

[Roll call](#)

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

Board Member:	Bibhusha Karki	Present
Board Member:	Chad Boeddeker	Present
Board Member:	Dennis Medd	Present
Board Member:	Heidi Uecker	Present
Board Member:	Kris Kerzman	Present
Board Member:	Lyndi Williams	Present
2nd Ward Council Member:	Mark Altenburg	Present
Board Member:	Nate Aalgaard	Present
Board Member:	Octavio Gomez	Present
Board Member:	Selvin Nygard	Present
Board Member:	Fatima Amedi	Absent
Board Member:	Michael Carbone	Absent

Approval of Agenda/Minutes

Motion made to approve July minutes. made by Heidi Uecker and seconded by Bibhusha Karki

Motion Passed

For: 9 - Bibhusha Karki, Chad Boeddeker, Heidi Uecker, Octavio Gomez, Dennis Medd, Lyndi Williams, Selvin Nygard, Kris Kerzman, Nate Aalgaard

Against: 0 - (None)

Abstain: 0 - (None)

Absent: 2 - Fatima Amedi, Michael Carbone

Recused: 0 - (None)

Motion made to approve August minutes made by Octavio Gomez and seconded by Heidi Uecker

Motion Passed

For: 9 - Bibhusha Karki, Chad Boeddeker, Heidi Uecker, Octavio Gomez, Dennis Medd, Lyndi Williams, Selvin Nygard, Kris Kerzman, Nate Aalgaard

Against: 0 - (None)

Abstain: 0 - (None)

Absent: 2 - Fatima Amedi, Michael Carbone

Recused: 0 - (None)

Motion made to approve September agenda made by Selvin Nygard and seconded by Lyndi Williams

Altenburg moved.

Williams second.

Motion Passed

For: 9 - Bibhusha Karki, Chad Boeddeker, Heidi Uecker, Octavio Gomez, Dennis Medd, Lyndi Williams, Selvin Nygard, Kris Kerzman, Nate Aalgaard

Against: 0 - (None)

Abstain: 0 - (None)

Absent: 2 - Fatima Amedi, Michael Carbone

Recused: 0 - (None)

Citizens to be heard - None

Reports

- Minutes: **Presentation –**
Freedom Resource Center (Commissioner Aalgaard)
- Minutes: **Budget Group:**
The group met and discussed numbers. Income from the City of Moorhead: \$3,000.
Expenses: Training Orientation \$500, Membership Dues: \$200, Supplies: \$250.
Awards/Event Expense: \$50, Sponsorships: \$1,400, Advertising \$600. Fiscal year: January 1
- December 31.
- Minutes: **Orientation Group:**
Has not yet met. Should get together to work with newly approved budget. Should also use
the budget to purchase name badges for new members.
- Minutes: **Outreach/Education Group:**
Has not yet met.
- Minutes: **Status of Johnson grievance:**
Case has been filed with the State Human Rights Dept.

Upcoming events

- Minutes: **Moorhead Human Rights Award:**
Will be given to Tom Figliuzzi next Monday, September 26th at the beginning of the City
Council meeting and will be presented by the Mayor. A press release should be written up
for The Forum and see about getting recordings of the award presentation.
- Minutes: **Joint Commission Meeting:**
Still in discussion process with Fargo.
- Minutes: **MSU-M Diversity Conference:**
November 9th at MSU-M. Promotes diversity throughout the Fargo-Moorhead community
and businesses. There has been a 50% increase in the diversity of our community according
to the 2010 census. Free for college students to attend the conference. There will be a
diversity award presented. Discussion of sponsoring the event for \$500. Boeddeker moved to
approve \$500 for the MSUM diversity conference. Altenburg second.

Motion Passed

*For: 8- Bibhusha Karki, Chad Boeddeker, Heidi Uecker, Octavio Gomez,
Dennis Medd, Lyndi Williams, Kris Kerzman, Nate Aalgaard*

Against: 1- (Selvin Nygard)

Abstain: 0 - (None)

Absent: 2 - Fatima Amedi, Michael Carbone

Recused: 0 - (None)

- Minutes: **Police Department Liaison:** Will invite to next meeting.

New business

- Minutes: **Poverty Simulation:**
More information will be provided at the next meeting.
- Minutes: **Community Involvement:**
It is noted that the Moorhead Human Rights Commission should become more involved in
community events. Members should bring news of upcoming events to the meetings.
- Minutes: **Resignation:**
Commissioner Boeddeker is resigning from his position effective today.

Adjournment – 6:51 PM

Motion made to adjourn the meeting made by Gomez and seconded by Ueker.

Motion Passed

For: 9 - Bibhusha Karki, Chad Boeddeker, Heidi Uecker, Octavio Gomez, Dennis Medd, Lyndi Williams, Selvin Nygard, Kris Kerzman, Nate Aalgaard

Against: 0 - (None)

Abstain: 0 - (None)

Absent: 2 - Fatima Amedi, Michael Carbone

Recused: 0 - (None)

Next Meeting: October 18, 2011 at 6:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers

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