

**Moorhead Human Rights Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
March 15, 2011**

1. Call to order – 6:03pm.
2. Roll Call - Aalgaard, Gomez, Kerzman, Nygard, Uecker, and Williams attending.
3. Approval of Agenda/Minutes – Uecker moved to approve all unapproved minutes. Kerzman second. All were in favor.
4. Citizens to be heard –
  - a. Recap that Jemima H. was in to give an update of her case at the February meeting. She will keep the commission updated as time goes on.
5. Reports of the Chair, Officers, Commissioners and Committee –
  - a. Activities since last meeting
    - i. Election of Officers:
      1. Will table until more members are present.
      2. Uecker motioned to create vacancies and send letters of appreciation for the positions that were served by Balderas, Neeland, Thomas, and Butrum. Williams second. All were in favor.
    - ii. Moorhead Human Rights Awards:
      1. Nominations will be due April 15, 2011.
      2. Nomination forms are available on the city website.
  - b. Upcoming Activities – Updates =
    - i. Community Mediation Training:
      1. Will be available May 2012.
      2. Would like to files biannual grants to train members. Course consists of 32 hours of formal mandatory mediation training.
      3. Trained members will be able to work with landlords and tenants to find housing for tenant and/or resolution to problems.
    - ii. Joint Session with Fargo (Bridge our Divide):
      1. Will be in contact with David Lamphers from the Fargo Human Relations Commission.
      2. Hope to discuss renaming the 1<sup>st</sup> avenue bridge and a community response action plan to direct people to services available for protesting.

6. New Business –

- a. Zach Kobrinsky was a student recipient of the Moorhead Human Rights Award. His plaque was lost in the 2009 flood and requested reissuance.
  - i. Aalgaard moved to replace the plaque using MHRC budget. Nygard second. All were in favor.
- b. Discussion of the Fair Housing of the Dakotas. Lost funding and was forced to shut down.
- c. Discussion of moving the meeting date and time
  - i. Nygard moved to officially move the meeting time and date to the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm. Aalgaard second. All were in favor.
  - ii. Next meeting will be April 19 at 6:00 pm.

7. Adjournment – 6:50 pm.