

**DUBUQUE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES OF
SEPTEMBER 25, 2017**

Commissioner Allen called the meeting of the Dubuque Human Rights Commission to order at 4:44 p.m. on Monday, September 25, 2017, at the City Hall Annex, 1300 Main Street, Conference Room II, Dubuque, Iowa.

Roll Call:

Present:	Anthony Allen, Chair Adrienne Breitfelder Miquel Jackson	Kate Parks Jay Schiesl, Vice Chair
Absent:	Indigo Channing	Fred Davis
Staff:	Kelly Larson	Carol Spinoso

The Chair voiced concerns about a commissioner's chronic absenteeism from Commission meetings/activities. Commissioner Jackson moved to send a letter to the City Council requesting removal of Commissioner Fred Davis due to absences and to appoint a successor to fill that vacancy. Commissioner Parks seconded. All in favor. The Chair will submit a letter to the City Clerk's office.

Discuss Editorial Piece for TH

During a meeting last month, it was suggested that the Commission consider submitting an editorial piece to the Telegraph Herald in relation to collaborating to create a safe, equitable and inclusive community. It was suggested that each Commissioner bring a written statement to the table October 9. Commissioners should submit to Carol by Wednesday, October 4th to be distributed with the October 9th meeting documents.

Finalize Goals

The goals, initiatives, action items were reviewed:

Goal #1: Establish sustainable and consistent equity in the DCSD in order to live up to the mission and vision statement of the District. The Goal #1 subcommittee members Schiesl and Stewart will present an update and recommendations at the Commission's October 9th meeting.

Goal #2: Collaborate with the Housing Commission and other partners in the City to make certain we accomplish the following for the benefit of the community.

Initiative 1: Central Corridor

Initiative 2: 17% to 22% Housing Choice Vouchers –Commissioner Parks moved to invite Alvin Nash to the November meeting for an SOI update. Commissioner Brietfelder seconded. All in favor.

Initiative 3: Support Renters Association

Goal #3: Collaborate in the elimination of barriers in employment to reduce the poverty rate in Dubuque.

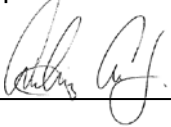
Initiative 1: Increase diversity in leadership positions within the City organization.

Initiative 2: Reduce the poverty rate in Dubuque

Initiative 3: Work more closely with the Resilient Community Advisory Commission

Adjournment:

The meeting ended at 5:40 p.m. due to lack of a quorum. The next regularly scheduled meeting is Monday, October 9, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.

Minutes approved as submitted: _____ 

Minutes approved as corrected: _____