

Brookings Disability Awareness Committee

Date: 9/28/23

Brookings City and County Government Center

520 3rd St, Room 300

Brookings, SD

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Attendance: Ramona Kauk, Jon Stauff, Mark Sternhagen*, Jenny Grendler, Lynda Venhuizen, Aysia Platte*, Ali Teesdale, Matt Weiss, Rachel Holm*, Ismael Collazo*, Katie Knudson

SDSU Student: Absent

SDSU Liaison: Absent

HRC Liaison: Absent

Library Liaison: Absent

County ADA Coordinator:

City Representative: Maureen Simet

Guests: Samantha Beckman, City Manager Assistant

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:02PM

2. Introduction of New Member - Katie Knudson

3. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda and minutes was made by Jenny, seconded by Matt.

The motion carried by the following votes:

- Yes: Katie, Lynda, Mark, Jenny, Ali, Matt, Rachel, Ramona, Jon, Aysia, Izzy
- No: none

4. Approval of minutes

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Matt seconded by Jenny. The motion carried by the following votes:

- Yes: Katie, Lynda, Mark, Jenny, Ali, Matt, Rachel, Ramona, Jon, Aysia, Izzy
- No: non

5. Budget

- \$2,711.40 Remaining

6. Officer Updates:

- a. **Chair**
Communication with the Brookings Multicultural Center. A thank you for the participation and the cookies.
- b. **Vice Chair**
Mark spoke to BATA about a couple issues. Did speak with them about participating in a movie event and the Parade of Lights.
- c. **Recorder**
No returned calls from Connie from the Brookings School District. Katie mentioned reaching out to her.
- d. **Publicity coordinator**
Ads are done. The press release can begin getting drafted.
Facebook promotions. SDSD family sign language class.
- e. **SDSU Liaison**
Absent
- f. **Library Liaison**
Absent
- h. **City Representative**
No updates.

7. Events/Public Promotions:
NDEAM proclamation.

8. Dakotah Bank Center - Request for Input
Tabled.

9. Public Art Project - Request for Input
- A. Izzy will ask a friend with a vision impairment for consultation on what pattern and color variations would be best .
 - B. There are concerns about the checkered pattern being too much variation.
 - C. Raised crosswalk was discussed.

10. 2023 Work plan Review

- A. White Cane Event
 - a. All paperwork is started and/or completed by Matt. Parade permit application was submitted by Matt. Press release is drafted for both. Drafts were made by the Town and Country Shopper and The Brookings Register. Committee reviewed the drafts. Matt has not contacted the radio, Matt will link Aysia in correspondences. Aysia will contact the radio.
 - b. Izzy will help assemble a variety of white canes from Sioux Falls.

- c. Izzy will be going to the Lions Club meeting on Monday and will discuss the event with them.
 - d. Friday or Thursday prior to the event gather make signs? Aysia will ask the library to collaborate.
 - e. Matt will reach out to The Brookings Register about having someone from the paper present.
 - f. Mark suggested reaching out to The Collegian.
- B. School Liaison
- a. Tabled
- C. NDEAM Proclamation
- a. Proclamation is on October 24th.

A motion to approve the proclamation was made by Jenny, seconded by Lynda. Motion was carried by the following votes:

- Yes: Katie, Lynda, Mark, Jenny, Ali, Matt, Rachel, Ramona, Jon, Aysia, Izzy
 - No: none
- D. Potential Parade Entry
- a. BATA may be interested in partnering.
 - b. Mark will follow-up with BATA about moving forward.

11. Next meeting is October 26th, 2023 at 12N.

Adjournment at 12:57pm.

Submitted by Ramona Kauk, Recorder