

June 30, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Vicki Pappas, Katie Herron, John Brady, David Carter, Lynne Argent, Susan Russ, Rachel Roby, John Whikehart, Pete Giordano, Alice Oestreich, Craig Brenner and Linda Crawford.

Minutes and Financial Report: May minutes were accepted as printed. There has been no financial activity in the past month and thus, balance remains at \$5,887. 24.

Media: Leslie Davis' article ran in the Neighbors Section of the *Herald-Times*. Rachel will be interviewed on WFIU this coming Wednesday, July 2nd at 12:30. She will read some selections from her poetry and discuss borderline personality disorders.

Guest Presentation: Deputy Mayor John Whikehart attended this month's CCA meeting to become acquainted with council members and the work of the council.

Reports from the City: There were no reports from the city.

New Concerns: There were no new concerns.

Report from Chair: Katie presented Vicki with a certificate for her outstanding work on the March and April calendar of events for Disability and Accessibility Awareness months. Susan suggested applying for an award made by the Governor's Council based upon the comprehensive calendar of events and activities scheduled by the CCA that took place during March and April that raised community awareness and involvement. David will complete the application for that award.

Katie will send a letter of support for the MCPL's grant request that will allow them to offer accessible programs at the library.

Thinking ahead to the October Annual Awards meeting, Katie suggested Kathie Snow, parent of a child with a disability and author of [Disability is Natural](#), as keynote speaker. The Down Syndrome support group has offered to contribute toward the presenter's expenses. Katie suggested the possibility of offering a workshop conducted by Kathie Snow on the following morning. Council members are to send suggestions of interested audiences to Katie. Katie will talk to Kathie about various types of presentations that could be utilized.

Committee Reports:

- A. **Accessibility Committee:** Vicki provided a recap of the committee's recent work: the decal surveys; assisting the Lotus Festival Committee with establishing 13 guidelines to improve accessibility to their events; forwarding four complaints (Centerstone, Player's Pub, IU Optometry, and Nick's) to the Justice Department for noncompliance with ADA requirements; identifying possibly two or three new businesses to receive decals at the July celebration. Future plans include providing a set of guidelines for striping parking lots to companies whose business includes this service and meeting with the Bloomington Independent Restaurant Association to provide information on additional services such as menus for visually challenged patrons.
- B. **Activities and Events Committee:** Susan announced that the ADA anniversary will be celebrated on July 25th at noon in the Atrium. Discussion of refreshments and the need for funds to provide refreshments followed. A media release will be prepared. The mayor or deputy mayor will read the proclamation of celebration of the ADA's twenty-fourth anniversary and the awarding of decals for meeting accessibility standards will take place at that time.
- C. **Announcements:** Alice Oestreich, chairperson of the Commission on Aging, described the work of the commission and their participation in the Farmers' Market each Saturday. The commission talks with interested people about their work, and distributes pins and mission statements. Alice extended an invitation to share their table at a future time and also invited members of the council to attend their commission meeting which meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 4:30 to 6:00 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Linda Crawford
Secretary