



CAN Human Rights Table

September 28, 2020

Teleconference

Minutes of Meeting

Chair: Mezaun Lakha-Evin, Sean Crump

Present

Mezaun Lakha-Evin (CPAA)
 Sam Mason (VAD)
 Robert Fenton (Legal Counsel)
 Cam Stewart (AHRC)
 Christopher Warner (CNIB)
 Kent Hehr (Politician/Advocate)

Sarah Harrower (Community Advocate)
 Dan Pederson (Community Advocate)
 Marc Workman (Service Alberta)
 Myrna Tuttle (ACRLC)
 Sean Crump (Universal Access)
 Angela Symon (Community Advocate)

Item	
1	Welcome and Introductions
2	Approval of September 17 minutes
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greg McMeekin will be temporarily stepping away from the table due to other commitments. In the meantime, Mezaun Lakha-Evin and Sean Crump will be chairing the table. - The work around accessibility and safe design carried out as part of the Reentry Strategy Taskforce will be transferred over to the CAN Human Rights table. This work revolves around the built environment and a lot of it ties into the legislation aspect. One of the main challenges is getting businesses to meet the goals and criteria outlines by legislation that has been designed. It is important to have accessible places due to the importance that it has in regard to employment, community engagement. - Land acknowledgment: moving forward, we will be opening the meetings with the land acknowledgement. - Letter to the Minister of Community Services regarding accessibility legislation in Alberta. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * For the time being, the letter will be sent on behalf of Calgary Ability Network. * Provincial statistics in addition to the federal statistics would be helpful. The most current data on Alberta date back to 2012. This type of data can be presented once a meeting with the minister is secured. * AODA: the standards were voluntary which is something that might happen in Alberta as well as it does not increase red tape. Suggestion: pursue the strongest legislation we can and give ground only when we have to. * Change Made in Alberta Act to our own legislation.

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4 Wrap-Up/Adjournment

Next meeting:

Date: October 12, 2020

Time: 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Location: Zoom
