

CAN Human Rights Table

May 16, 2019 Fish Creek Library | 11161 Bonaventure Drive SE Minutes of Meeting

Chair: Angela Symon

Present

Angela Symon (Community Advocate)

Katie Mitchell (University of Calgary)

Eryn Dewald (Children's Link Society)

Harpreet Kaur (URSA)

Diane Dmytryshyn (CCDS)

Ermira Kusari (Calgary Ability Network)

Myrna El Fakhry Tuttle (Alberta Civil Liberties Research Centre)

	Item	Action
1.	Welcome and Introductions	
2.	Approval of April minutes	
3.	Discussion topics	
	Provincial Accessibility Act:	
	Continuing on the research and educational piece we need to:	
	- Identify target groups	
	* Schools (informal and simple presentations) – connect with Calgary Board	
	of Education and Calgary Catholic School District to get permission to do	
	presentations in schools and then connect with school to schedule	
	presentations (Junior High and High Schools)	
	* Businesses, Airport and similar (more formal presentations) – create a	
	spreadsheet of potential businesses to reach out to and schedule	
	presentations with. An idea is to do events similar to Lunch and Learn.	
	Spreadsheet available at: http://tiny.cc/smav6y . Please feel free to add	
	businesses, school and relevant agencies that we would be interested in	
	doing a presentation with.	
	- Determine what the presentation will include:	
	* What laws currently exist that ensure the rights of persons with	
	disabilities are respected	

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- * What is missing (what do Human Rights Law and other laws cover and what they do not)
- * How would a Provincial Accessibility Act help fill in the gap of what is missing (utilize information from other Accessibility Acts in Canada, how they came to be, why there were deemed necessary)
- *** Children's Link and Alberta Civil Liberties Research Centre already have presentation and we will be able to use the information they have and build on it to tailor it the message that we want to convey to the public.
- Raising awareness and gathering community support:
- * Research and identify what worked in other provinces
- * Connect with organizations across Alberta to create a network of presenters in various communities

Follow Up:

- Ermira to send a doodle poll to the table to schedule e meeting and share what Alberta Civil Liberties Research Center as well as Children's Link already have in place and identify what we need the presentation to include. **Doodle poll link:** https://doodle.com/poll/s5gu3z82wf4xvbac

National Child Day: November 20, 2019

- In Alberta, there is a committee focused and working towards the rights of Children who organize events for the National Child Day. Table should connect with the committee to ensure that the disability lens.
- The Children First Canada report as well as the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child include little to no mention of children with disabilities.

National AccessAbility Week: May 26 – June 1, 2019

CAN will be putting together a video/photo project to celebrate the week. Everyone is welcome to participate. A toolkit will be distributed to all members.

4. Wrap-Up/Adjournment

Next meeting:

Date: June 18, 2019 **Time**: 1:30 – 3:30pm

Location: Giuffre Family Library 3223 14 Street SW