

KIRKWOOD HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION  
SECOND QUARTER 2016 REPORT

New officers were elected, as follows: Denis Hart, President; Bob Boyd, Vice President; and Amanda Sher, Secretary. Commissioner Judy Moticka was welcomed as the replacement for Darnell Frost.

The new HRC informational brochure was completed and approved and is being distributed.

The Commission heard an extensive presentation of the results of the Disability Survey, including a list of recommendations based on the findings.

The winners of our student essay contest were presented to the City Council at the April 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. Members of the HRC have begun the process of communicating with the School Board and with KHS administrators about some of the concerns students raised in their essays.

Commission secretary Amanda Sher has been working to improve the contents and the reach of the HRC Facebook page.

At the June meeting, Police Chief Jack Plummer was invited to bring the Commission up to date on the KPD's relationships with the community. The Chief outlined his department's ongoing efforts to maintain its excellent record for attention to the concerns of our citizens and for ensuring that individual officers are committed to excellence. Members of a citizens committee looking into possible lack of balance in police treatment of persons of color were invited to express their concerns. Following the presentations, the Commission discussed the possibility of establishing an informal liaison committee to serve as a conduit between the police department and citizens.