

**CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
CITY HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM 2B, 420 N. POKEGAMA AVE.**

DATE: FEBRUARY 13, 2019

TIME: 4:00 P.M.

RESCHEDULED FROM JANUARY 30, 2019

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CALL TO ORDER: Pursuant to due notice and call thereof a special meeting of the Grand Rapids Human Rights Commission was held in Conference Room 2B, Grand Rapids City Hall, Grand Rapids, Minnesota, on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

CALL OF ROLL: On a Call of Roll, the following members were present: Commissioners Alice Moren, Deanna Ensley, Doug Learmont, Frieda Hall, Karen Noyce, Lea Friesen, and John Schirber.

Absent: Commissioner Melissa Weidendorf

CALL TO ORDER Commissioner Moren called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Acknowledged Mr. Ed Horseman, Grand Rapids resident

APPROVAL OF MINUTES November 28, 2018 Regular Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Hall, second by Commissioner Schirber to approve minutes for November 28, 2018 as presented. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Addition of items for consideration:

- Advertising/Promoting Human Rights Commission and activities
- Training with MN Dept. of Human Rights for Commission and host a session open to the public.
- Identify & educate on all protected classes

Combined similar work plan items and divided into quarters for the year.

1st Quarter, January – March:

- Promote Human Rights awareness
- Training opportunities for H.R. Commission
- Training for other groups, schools, organizations and general public

2nd Quarter, April – June:

- LGBTQ Awareness
- Race, ethnicity and religion
- Women

3rd Quarter, July – September:

- Flexible and responsive

4th Quarter, October – December:

- Indigenous People's Day
- Effects of Poverty Human Rights

All year:

- Outreach; partnering and networking (this should be present through the year and in all Human Rights activities)

Priority ranking of each item will be determined at the January 30, 2019 regular meeting.

Commissioner Friesen will research possible training opportunities for first quarter of 2019.

The 2020 Work Plan and Budget request needs to be complete and submitted for approval by May 2019, keeping in line with the City's budgeting cycle.

A recommendation was made to add term dates after each Commission member's name. This will help maintain awareness of upcoming vacancies/term expirations.

With no other business, Commissioner Moren adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Janell Hecimovich, Recorder

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**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018**

	<u>Actual 12/31/2018</u>
Human Rights Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 5,000
One Crisis Away Campaign Feb18	500
Speaker Sponsors ICC Conference Mar18	500
Indigenous People's Day Expenses Oct18	812
Immigration Education Series Expenses Nov & Dec18	3,521
Busticogan Painting	650
2018 Postage	<u>5</u>
Blandin Foundation Immigrant Education Grant	1,000
Balance Available	<u><u>\$ 12</u></u>

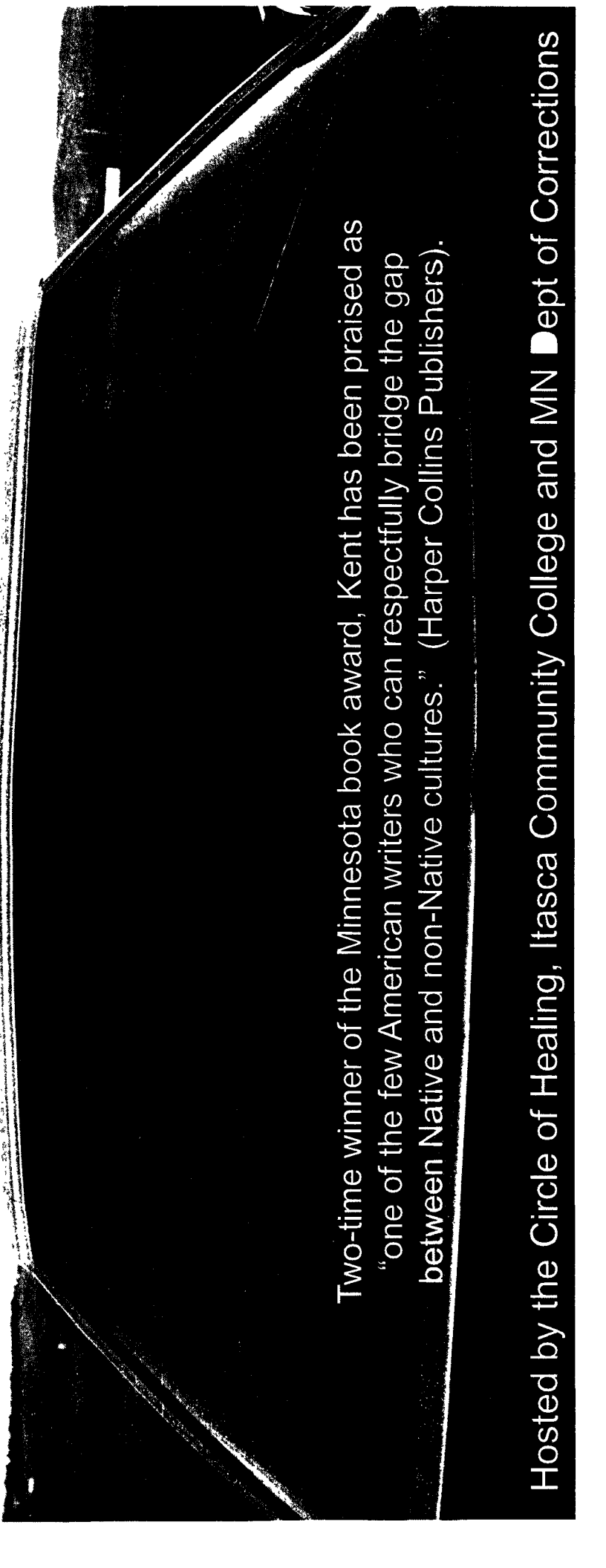
NEITHER WOLF NOR DOG

Film Screening & Discussion with author Kent Nerburn
Itasca Community College ~ Chucker Auditorium

Tuesday, February 19, noon – 3 pm

Wednesday, February 20, 6:30 – 9:30 pm

Free Admission – donations accepted to help build a playground in Ball Club



Two-time winner of the Minnesota book award, Kent has been praised as
“one of the few American writers who can respectfully bridge the gap
between Native and non-Native cultures.” (Harper Collins Publishers).

Hosted by the Circle of Healing, Itasca Community College and MN Dept of Corrections