

Allegheny County Human Relations Commission
Minutes of July 1, 2020
Date/Time: July 1, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.
Location: Zoom Video Conference

I. Call to order: 8:33 a.m.

Commission members present

Daniel Styche
Nicola Henry-Taylor
Arthur Pang
Bill Price
Marlin Woods

Staff members present

Ellen Buannic, Employee Relations Coordinator

II. Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve was brought by Commissioner Henry-Taylor with corrections. Commissioner Price seconded the motion.

III. Chairperson Update: Chairperson spoke with Megan from the City Commission regarding the article written and she said that she never said that and was misquoted. She and the County Commission will work together the streamline the City/County Commission partnership.

IV. Staff and Committee Reports:

Law Department: No update

Human Resources: No update

Committee Reports:

Commissioner Pang thanked for drafting initial statement of action on racial injustice, at which point he expressed gratitude to the other commissioners for their thoughtful and expedient review.

Commissioner Pang proposed collecting community events and having a place on the county website for people to visit. It was mentioned that this may already exist.

Commissioner Price announced that he attended the South Fayette School District Board Meeting and announced the District was a recipient of the Commission's Diversity Award. The School Board requested a link to the Zoom awards and requested that all Board and staff watch the awards. The District has already begun their project for next year's Diversity Award submission. Price also announced that South Fayette School District created a Diversity and Inclusion Officer position and Dr. Chuck Herring has been granted the position. Dr. Herring has worked with the Commission on the Diversity Awards and expressed a desire to work with the Commission going forward.

Commissioner Woods inquired about the hiring of a Director of Equity and Inclusion for the County. The status remains unclear.

V. Community Events: None at this time.

VI. Announcements and Open Floor: No updates

VII. Adjournment: A motion was made by Commissioner Woods to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pang and carried unanimously.