

Allegheny County Human Relations Commission  
Minutes of February 3, 2021  
Date/Time: February 3, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.  
Location: Virtual Via Zoom

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

Commission members present

Nicola Henry-Taylor  
Arthur Pang  
Betsy Magley  
Marlin Woods  
William Price

Staff members present

Jeremy Beaver, Employee Relations Coordinator  
Ellen Buannic, Employee Relations Coordinator  
Fran Liebenguth, Assistant County Solicitor

II. Guests: None Present

III. Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve was brought by Commissioner Magley. Commissioner Marlin seconded the motion.

IV. Chairperson Update: Chairperson Price opened the hearing by noting some procedural changes that he will be putting in place moving forward with the group. Chairperson Price plans to provide a list of goals for the commission to be present for the next meeting. Chairperson Price also noted that he is being interviewed for an article for Public Source, and that with everyone's permission he will forward over the contact information for the Commission members.

With the Diversity Awards coming up, Chairperson Price has finished putting together materials and plans to host two meetings with the participating school districts to communicate all the necessary information regarding the awards.

Chairperson Price also spoke about arranging a joint meeting with the City of Pittsburgh's Human Relations Commission, in the interest of establishing a collaborative relationship moving forward. The Commission also discussed expanding this to meeting with the new Director of Diversity and Inclusion for Allegheny County, as well as, meeting with the PA Human Relations Commission.

V. Staff and Committee Reports:

Law Department: Ms. Liebenguth indicated that the Commission has received a new complaint and that the questioners have been sent out to the complainant.

The RFP has been completed and there was no response regarding having an independent attorney to be able to do investigations for the Commission. Ms. Liebenguth will be having the budget department renew the post for 2021.

Human Resources: Mr. Beaver gave an update on scheduling meetings with the County Executive.

Committee Reports: Commissioner Magley has agreed to type of a state of affairs regarding the Commission to circulate and provide to the County Executive.

VI. Community Events: None

VII. Announcements and Open Floor: None

VIII. Adjournment: A motion was made by Commissioner Pang to adjourn at 9:11 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woods and carried unanimously.