

June 9, 2022,

Board Chambers

Human Rights Commission

MINUTES

Chair

Curtis O. Porter

Vice Chair

Evelyn BruMar

Parliamentarian

Ramunda Young

Members

William Johnston

Dr. Erika Laos

Tonya James

Padreus D. Pratter

Christopher Lee

Aaron Muz

Present: Commissioners Curtis Porter, William Johnston, Dr. Erika Laos, Tonya James, Padreus Pratter, Aaron Muz, Ramunda Young, Christopher Lee, Evelyn BruMar (remotely), Manager Shelia Venning, and Tiffany Jones. There was no citizens present. Chair Curtis Porter called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

Citizens Time

- None

Old Business

- Minutes of March 10, 2022, were approved with the following change: date change (Laos-moved /Young-second)

New Business

- Commission voted to approve remote participation for Commissioner BruMar (Porter/Laos-second)
- Resolutions were presented to the Commission and were adopted:
 - Resolution to declare, affirm and recognize the Month of May 2022 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month (Moved James/Young Second)
 - Resolution to declare, affirm and recognize the Month of June 2022 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or Questing (LGBTQ+) Month (Moved Laos/BurMar second)
 - Resolution to declare, affirm and recognize June 19 of 2022 as Juneteenth Day (James/Laos second)

Closed Session

- Discussed matters according to Virginia Code Sections 2.2-3711. A.4/7
Commission voted to dismiss case No. 570-2021-00069 to allow the Charging Party to pursue this matter in federal Court.

Committee Reports

Student Leadership Council

- Graduation for Cohort 6 was held on April 7, 2022.
- Recruitment for Cohort 7 will begin around September 2022.
- Staff will meet with Caroline Custard, Liaison PWCPS, to discuss the previous cohort and any recommended changes for Cohort 7.

Unity in the Community

- Unity will be hosting an educational forum on Sunday, May 15, @ 6:30 pm, virtually. The focus will be on PWCPS Strategic Plan thru 2025.

VAHR

- A planning meeting will be held on May 16 at 7 pm, to discuss the annual conference.
- The VAHR Annual Conference is scheduled for June 11, both in-person and remotely. In-person, the conference will be held in the Powell's Creek Conference Room of the Mc Coart Building.

Racial Social Justice Commission (RSJC)

- The next meeting will be held on May 19 @ 6:30 pm.
- RSJC is continuing to work on the new bylaws.

PWC Jail Board

- The next meeting will be held on July 20, 2022, @ 7 pm.

Director's Report

- The Office is in the process of interviewing college interns for this summer. We plan to hire two interns for June 1 – to July 31.

- Staff is scheduled to meet with the Mayors of Manassas City and Manassas Park to reestablish communication regarding investigating employment cases for each jurisdiction.
- The Office recently completed Fair Housing Testing on the county's eastern end. The results will be available within the coming weeks.

COMMISSIONER'S TIME

Evelyn BurMar – The Office of Diversity and Inclusion is hosting a Pride event on June 7 from 11 am – to 2 pm at the Plaza of the McCoart Building.

Padreus Pratter – Has attended a few listening sessions for PWCPs and would like to provide teachers with more information about the Human Rights office.

Christopher Lee – Explained why he voted against the resolutions presented to the Commission.

Aaron Muz – Nothing to report

Tonya James – May is Mental Health Awareness Month. There will be a 5k run/walk Sunday, May 15, from 10 am-2 pm at Locust Shade Park.

Erica Laos – It is National Foster Care Month. It's a reminder that all children need housing and education. So, if you find an event, it would be important to attend.

William Johnston – Suggested we change the meeting date for April, due to the Easter Holiday.

Ramunda Young – Virginia Woman's Council had their Annual Stem contest and announced the winners.

Curtis Porter – Explained the importance of Juneteenth and American history.

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 pm.

ACTIONABLE ITEMS

ACTION	RESPONSIBLE PERSON	DUE DATE	STATUS

**PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
CHARGES AND OUTCOMES FOR MAY 2022**

	Case Closures	Cases Opened	Inventory
Employment	2	5	
Housing	1		
Public Accommodation	1		
Education			
Credit			
TOTAL			20