

**PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING
OF OCTOBER 28, 2019**

The meeting convened at 2:55 PM, Monday, October 28, 2019 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners:

Joel Bolstein, Chair
Dr. Raquel O. Yiengst, Vice Chair
Mayur Patel, Secretary
Rad Agrawal (absent)
George Dawson (absent)
Michael Hardiman
Curtis Jones (absent)
Gerald S. Robinson (absent)
Adrian Shanker(phone)
Aleena Sorathia (absent)

Staff:

Chad Dion Lassiter, Executive Director
Leslie Morant, Chief Counsel
Martin Cunningham, Interim Chief Counsel
Jinada Rochelle, Director of Enforcement
Carl Summerson, Hearing Examiner
Guerline L. Laureore, Esq., Director of Policy and Intergovernmental Affairs
Lyle Wood, Pittsburgh Regional Office Director
Heather Roth, Harrisburg Regional Office Director
Diana Medley, Philadelphia Regional Office Director
Debbie Walters, Administrative Officer
Tameka Hatcher, Education & Outreach Coordinator
Anja Velemir, Special Assistant to Executive Director
Carrie Simmons, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bolstein called the meeting to order. The meeting had been advertised and was open to the public, in accordance with the provisions of the Sunshine Act. Prior to the meeting, in keeping with the confidentiality requirements of the Sunshine Act; there had been a closed session to discuss compliance matters.

Attendance was taken and a quorum was not noted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the September 2019 Commission meeting was deferred to the October meeting.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Chairman Bolstein apologized for the delay in starting the meeting and asked guests from LHOP to introduce themselves.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Executive Director Lassiter noted that Commissioner Shanker will be working with Directors Rochelle and Laurore, Chief Counsel, Leslie Morant and Commissioner Hardiman on modernizing the Universal Rental Act. Commissioner Patel asked who is standing in the way of this being passed? It was noted that there is no objection, it is just not a priority and is being worked on slowly. Chairman Bolstein asked if PHRC could look into preparing guidance, like that which was prepared for predatory lending.

NEXT SESSION


The November Commission Meeting will be held Monday, November 25, 2019, at 1:30 PM in Harrisburg, PA.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Joel Bolstein
Chairman


o/b/o Mayur Patel

Mayur Patel
Secretary