

PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF PUBLIC COMMISSION MEETING
November 22, 2021

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting convened virtually at 2:21 PM, on Monday, November 22, 2021.

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners:

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

Staff:

Chad Dion Lassiter, Executive Director
Samuel Rivera, Chief Counsel
Morgan Williams, Deputy Chief Counsel
Carl Summerson, Hearing Examiner
Guerline Laurore, Esq., Director of Policy & Intergovernmental Affairs
Adrian Garcia, Director of Fair Housing and Commercial Property
Kurt Jung, Director of Enforcement
Laura Argenbright, Director of Communications
Lyle Wood, Pittsburgh Regional Office Director
Heather Roth, Harrisburg Regional Office Director
Debbie Walters, Administrative Officer
Anja Mijocevic, Special Assistant to Executive Director

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 noted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION:

Commissioner Yiengst made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hardiman to approve the minutes of the October Public Meeting. With all in favor, motion carried.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Executive Director Lassiter welcomed the staff and opened the monthly meeting. Executive Director Lassiter had the commissioners and staff introduce themselves to the guests in attendance.

MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Current highlights of division activities and upcoming outreach events were shared during the Compliance session. Chief Counsel Rivera noted that a review of policies and practices is currently under review for more effective process and increased accountability. Division directors provided an overview of current activities of their respective divisions as well.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

NEXT SESSION

The next Public Session will be held in-person for commissioners and staff, Monday, December 27, 2021, at 2:00 PM in the Harrisburg office. The public may join virtually.

ADJOURNMENT

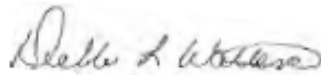
MOTION:

Commissioner Yiengst made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hardiman to adjourn. With all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



M. Joel Bolstein
Chairman



o/b/o Mayur Patel
Mayur Patel
Secretary