

Allegheny County Human Relations Commission  
Minutes of April 6 2016 Meeting  
Date/Time: April 6, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.  
Location: Conference Room 1, Allegheny County Courthouse  
First Floor  
436 Grant Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

I. Call to order: 8:44 a.m.

Commission members present

Stephan Broadus, Chairperson  
Mary Gibson, Vice Chairperson  
Jessica McCurdy (via phone)  
Dan Styche

Commission members not present

William Price  
Nicola Henry-Taylor

Staff members present

Fran Liebenguth, Assistant County Solicitor and Counsel to ACHRC  
Nichole L. Nagle, Employee Relations Manager, Department of Human Resources  
Holly Grabowski, Employee Relations Coordinator, Department of Human Resources

II. Introduction of Guests: Chairperson Broadus recognized and welcomed

Katie Gittlen, Executive Assistant, County Executive's Office  
Joe Catanese, Director of Constituent Services and Government Relations, Office of  
County Council  
Jan Chirdon, Analyst, Allegheny County Controller's Office

III. Approval of Minutes of the March 2, 2016 meeting: Commissioner Styche made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairperson Gibson and carried unanimously.

IV. Chairperson Update: Chairperson Broadus invited Commissioner Styche to discuss plans for the Diversity Luncheon, which will honor high school senior(s) who have outstanding contributions in promoting the goals of the ACHRC. Preliminary plans include a kick-off luncheon in the Fall of 2016 for school administrators. Mr. Catanese suggested Commissioner Styche contact the Allegheny County Intermediate Unit for a list of all districts. Commissioners Styche and Price will work together to finalize a budget. The first luncheon will be scheduled in the Spring of 2017.

Ms. Gittlen announced the process of appointing a new commissioner is moving forward.

Chairperson Broadus mentioned the City of Pittsburgh has hired a new Director for its Commission on Human Relations and suggested the new Director be invited to a meeting within the next few months.

V. Staff and Committee Reports:

Law: Ms. Liebenguth said the contract with the City Commission has been sent to City Council for approval. Two new complaints have been received and it was agreed the Compliance Review Committee(s) would meet immediately following the Commission meeting.

Human Resources: None.

VI. Announcements and Open Floor: Vice Chairperson Gibson discussed a Department of Human Services LGBTQ Community of Practice presentation that focused on youth and support in the educational system. She said another event regarding fair housing will be taking place in the near future and that the Google calendar has been created for use by Commission members to track community events and meetings. Commissioners were reminded that Pittsburgh Pride will be held in June and hopefully, Commissioners can share a table with the City Commission again. She also spoke briefly about recently passed laws in various states that are bringing attention to anti-discrimination laws.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Commissioner Styche to adjourn at 9:04 a.m. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairperson Gibson and carried unanimously.