

January 14, 2021

Board Chambers

Human Rights Commission

MINUTES

Chair

Curtis O. Porter

Vice Chair

Ramunda Young

Parliamentarian

Evelyn BruMar

Members

William Johnston

Mohammad Usman

Dr. Susan Holly

Dr. Erika Laos

Tonya James

LaTonsha "LT" Pridgen

Present: Commissioners Curtis Porter, Mohammad Usman, Ramunda Young, William Johnston, Evelyn BruMar, LaTonsha "LT" Pridgen, Director Raul Torres, Manager Shelia Venning, Admin Crystal Athan, and one (1) citizen: Heidi BruMar. Chair Curtis Porter called the meeting to order at 7:36 pm.

Old Business

- Minutes of December 10, 2020 were approved (Pridgen-moved/Young-seconded).

New Business

- Provided backup for two commissioners on Universal Human Rights Day: Commissioner BruMar will be the backup for Commissioner James; Commissioner Pridgen will be the backup for Commissioner Laos
- The election was held for Chair, Vice-Chair and Parliamentarian:
Chair: Curtis Porter
Vice-Chair: Ramunda Young
Parliamentarian: Evelyn BruMar

Committee Reports

Student Leadership Council

- Next meeting is scheduled for February 22 on Fair Housing. The students will make presentations before the commission at the March Human Rights Commission meeting. April will be the Student Leadership Council graduation.

Director's Report

- Commissioner Holly's term has expired which creates a vacancy on the commission.
- Commissioner BruMar's is in communication with the Supervisor on her reappointment.
- The Racial and Social Justice Commission will hold their first meeting on January 21 at 6:30pm at the Ferlazzo Auditorium. The county will hire an Equity and Inclusion Director who will report directly to the County Executive. This director will be in charge of staffing the Racial and Social Justice Commission.

Chair

- The chair recommended preparing a statement about the escalating violence occurring around the country. There was no opposition from the commission to preparing and disseminating this statement.

COMMISSIONER'S TIME

LT Pridgen – Support for the statement from the Commission

Mohammad Usman – Support for the statement from the Commission

Evelyn BruMar – Support for the statement from the Commission. Social Services homeless division will conduct a head count for services that are funded through their program. There is a lack of homeless shelters on the west-end of the county. The homeless shelters are accepting donations for cleaning supplies.

Ramunda Young – Support for the statement from the Commission. There is an event on March 13 at 10:00 am entitled “Speak out, Speak up.”

Curtis Porter – The PWC Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc will hold their 31st annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Youth Oratorical Program on Saturday, January 18 at 11:00 am streamed on YouTube.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.

ACTIONABLE ITEMS

ACTION	RESPONSIBLE PERSON	DUE DATE	STATUS

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
CHARGES AND OUTCOMES FOR January 2021

	Case Closures	Cases Opened	Inventory
Employment	1	2	
Housing			
Public Accommodation			
Education			
Credit			
TOTAL			27