

ARIZONA CIVIL RIGHTS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Public Meeting

March 10, 2023

Board Members Present

Karen J. Hartman-Tellez (Chairperson)
Joshua W. Carden

Staff Members Present

Rebekah Browder (Executive Director)
Tina Rohe (Staff Liaison)

Board Members Present by Zoom

Hon. Carol Berry (Ret.)
Tarah White (Vice-Chairperson)
Grant H. Frazier
Moses Sanchez

Staff Members Present by Zoom

Leslie Ross (Legal Counsel)

a. Call to Order.

Karen Hartman-Tellez called the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m. The meeting took place in person and via Zoom.

b. Preliminary Remarks.

Karen Hartman-Tellez welcomed everyone.

c. Approval of Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2023.

Moses Sanchez moved to approve the meeting minutes from January 13, 2023. Joshua Carden seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

d. William E. Morris Presentation.

MJ Simpson presented information about the William E. Morris Institute for Justice and the crime-free lease addendum and crime free program.

e. AGO Chief of Staff, Amy Love, and AGO Public Programs Coordinator, Sophia Braham.

Amy Love and Sophia Braham introduced themselves to the Board and how they can help the Board through their roles with the Executive Office of the AGO.

f. Division Report.

Rebekah Browder and Leslie Ross gave the Division Report. The Division updated the Board on vacancies, active litigation cases, and high housing and employment caseloads.

g. Call to the Public.

No members of the public were present.

h. Project ideas.

Discussion was held about ongoing project ideas.

- Assistance Animals in Public Accommodations: The Board continues to work on a document for the azag.gov website. Sophia Braham offered to assist.
- Crime Free Addendum Legislation: The Board discussed transitioning from the legislation to work on and revise the 2007 letter.

i. Board Elections.

Board members discussed who was interested in the Chair and Vice Chair positions. Moses moved to nominate Karen Hartman-Tellez as Chairperson. Joshua Carden Seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Karen nominated Joshua Carden as Vice Chairperson. Tarah White seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

j. Call to the Board.

The Board discussed Hon. Carol Berry's upcoming award from the Arizona Women Lawyer's Association.

k. Adjournment.

Joshua Carden moved to adjourn the meeting, and Moses Sanchez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.