

ARIZONA CIVIL RIGHTS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Telephonic Public Meeting

February 19, 2021

Board Members Present by Telephone

Tarah L. White (Chairperson)

Joshua W. Carden (Vice-Chairperson)

Grant H. Frazier

Karen J. Hartman-Tellez

Moses Sanchez

Staff Members Present by Telephone

Rebekah Browder (Executive Director)

Leslie Ross (Legal Counsel)

Tina Rohe (Staff Liaison)

Members of the Public Present by Telephone

Lydia Lindsmeier

a. Call to Order.

Tarah White called the meeting to order at 12:29 p.m. The meeting took place telephonically with all in attendance announcing their presence.

b. Preliminary Remarks.

Tarah White greeted the members and the new members.

c. Introductions of the New Members

The Board members and staff members briefly introduced themselves and gave a brief background.

d. Approval of Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2020.

Karen Hartman-Tellez moved to approve the meeting minutes from May 8, 2020. Joshua Carden seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

e. Division Report

Rebekah Browder gave the Division Report. Ms. Browder informed Board of the trends of cases the Division has seen in the past seven months since the Board met, the new English/Spanish Division pamphlet, and new compliance officers to focus on housing cases. Discussion was held about to disability cases and housing complaints with the Division. The Division also discussed a housing outreach the Division is planning. The Board requested to add housing COVID issues on the agenda for the next meeting.

f. Law Enforcement Survey.

Tarah White and Joshua Carden informed the Board of the Law Enforcement Survey and the status. Tarah White and Joshua Carden will work together on a final report and present to the Board members at a future meeting.

g. Call to the Public.

No members of the public addressed the Board.

h. Project ideas.

Discussion was held about ongoing project ideas.

- Tarah White and Joshua Carden informed the Board of the Human Trafficking bill (HB2116) and its progress in the in the legislature.
- The Board discussed service animals related to housing and public accommodations. The Board discussed reaching out to the Chamber of Commerce to see what the needs are and potential outreach through social media. Grant Frazier agreed to draft a letter to the chamber for the Board to review at the next meeting.
- The other items were tabled for future meetings.

i. Call to the Board.

There were no current events discussed by the Board.

j. Meeting Schedule

The Board agreed to keep the meetings scheduled to the second Friday of every month.

k. Adjournment.

Karen Hartman-Tellez moved to adjourn the meeting, and Moses Sanchez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.