

ARIZONA CIVIL RIGHTS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Public Meeting

August 11, 2023

Board Members Present

Karen J. Hartman-Tellez (Chairperson)
Joshua W. Carden (Vice-Chairperson)
Hon. Carol Berry (Ret.)
Tarah White

Board Members Absent

Moses Sanchez

Staff Members Present

Leslie Ross (Executive Director)
Julie Blumenreich (Legal Counsel)
Cari Shehorn (Staff Liaison)

Board Members Present by Zoom

Grant H. Frazier

a. Call to Order.

Karen Hartman-Tellez called the meeting to order at 12:33 p.m. The meeting took place in person at the Arizona Attorney General's Office.

b. Preliminary Remarks.

Chairperson Karen Hartman-Tellez welcomed Attorney General Kris Mayes and Bill Mundell, Chief Deputy of Policy & Administration, who were in attendance.

c. Approval of Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2023.

Taken out of order after projects and ideas. Tarah White moved to approve the minutes. Josh Carden seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

d. Arizona Attorney General Kris Mayes Address to the Board.

Attorney General Mayes acknowledged identified interest in addressing housing discrimination and redlining practices, preventing hate crimes, and disparity in education funding levels. Attorney General Kris Mayes responded to questions and feedback from board members. Board discussed possible future legislative proposals.

e. Division Report.

Leslie Ross gave the Division Report. Ms. Ross discussed staff openings at the Civil Rights Division and provided Division investigation and litigation updates.

f. Call to the Public.

A representative of the William E. Morris Institute for Justice addressed the board.

g. Projects and Ideas.

- Board discussion on and edits to draft service animal, support animal and assistance animal document.

h. Call to the Board/Current Events.

Discussion regarding coordination of outreach opportunities between the Division and the Board. Board received invitation to attend August 25, 2023 program.

i. Adjournment.

Tarah White moved to adjourn the meeting. Hon. Carol Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 2:07 p.m.