

ARIZONA CIVIL RIGHTS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Public Meeting

February 8, 2019

Board Members Present

Joshua W. Carden (Chairperson)
Robert M. Garcia (Vice-Chairperson)
Kathryn Hackett King (Member)
Tarah L. White (Member)

Staff Members Present

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

Staff Members Absent

Vincent Sottosanti (Legal Counsel)

Board Members Present by Telephone

Sandy F. Flynn (Member)

Board Members Absent

Christopher St. John (Member)
Rachel Frazier Johnson (Member)

a. Call to Order

Joshua Carden called the meeting to order at 12:32 p.m., with the members present announcing. The meeting took place at 2005 North Central, Arizona Attorney General, Third Floor Conference Room, Phoenix, Arizona.

b. Preliminary Remarks

Joshua Carden greeted the members.

c. Approval of Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2018 and January 24, 2019.

Tarah White moved to approve the meeting minutes from November 2, 2018. Robert Garcia seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Robert Garcia moved to approve the meeting minutes from January 24, 2019 with one amendment. Tarah White seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

d. Division Report (Rebekah Browder)

Rebekah Browder discussed a sexual harassment case, *ACRD v. Sunburst Farms Irrigation District* that the Division just filed a lawsuit on. The lawsuit made some news. Joshua Carden mentioned the Civil Rights portion of the annual report and brought members attention to it.

e. Law Enforcement Survey Status and Next Steps

Staff previously sent out proposed edits to the Board. Discussion was held as to other changes to be made to the survey. Tarah White motioned to approve language as proposed as well as once the AGO staff builds survey, and have a telephone Board meeting to give final approval. Sandy Flynn seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

f. Status of Draft Letter with Phoenix Housing Department re: Homelessness

Tarah White passed out a proposed letter to the Board. The Board discussed various edits. Joshua Carden moved for Tarah White to send the letter with discussed edits. Kathryn Hackett King seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

g. Draft Legislation for a Civil Action for Victims of Human Trafficking

Kathryn Hackett King discussed a scheduled meeting with State Senator Kate Brophy McGee on February 13, 2019. Discussion was also held as to lobbying efforts for the Board in the future. The Board also discussed sending a letter about the proposed legislation to all legislators Joshua Carden moved to extend authorization to Kathryn Hackett King and Tarah White to meet with legislators as necessary to move proposed legislation forward in the process. Robert Garcia seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

h. Status of draft language for ACRA State Board Per Diem Compensation and Expense Reimbursement Policy.

Joshua Carden is continuing to work on this language. This item was tabled for the next meeting.

i. Board Elections

Discussion was held as to interest in elections. Given the absent Board members, Kathryn Hackett King moved to authorize Tina Rohe to send out an email to the Board to see who is interested in running for the Board Chairperson and Vice Chairperson and table the elections for the next meeting. Tarah White seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

j. Call to the Public

No members of the public were present.

k. Call to the Board – Current Events Summary

Discussion was held about various events that board members would be attending. Discussion was held about previous ideas regarding peaceful protests. Board agrees will discuss future ideas at the next meeting.

l. Adjournment

There being no other announcements or matters, Tarah White to adjourn the meeting at 1:38 p.m., Kathryn Hackett King seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

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