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ARIZONA CIVIL RIGHTS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Public Meeting

April 12, 2019

Board Members Present by Telephone

Joshua W. Carden (Chairperson)
Kathryn Hackett King (Vice-Chairperson)
Rachel Frazier Johnson (Member)
Robert M. Garcia (Member)

Staff Members Present

Rebekah Browder (Executive Director)
Vincent Sottosanti (Legal Counsel)
Tina Rohe (Staff Liaison)

Board Members Absent

Christopher St. John (Member)
Sandy F. Flynn (Member)
Tarah L. White (Member)

a. Call to Order

Joshua Carden called the meeting to order at 12:42 p.m. The meeting took place at 2005 North Central, Third Floor, Arizona Attorney General, Phoenix, Arizona, with the members announcing their presence telephonically.

b. Preliminary Remarks

Joshua Carden greeted the members.

c. Approval of Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2019.

Robert Garcia moved to approve the meeting minutes from March 8, 2019. Rachel Frazier Johnson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

d. Division Report (Rebekah Browder)

Ms. Browder introduced Joseph Sciarrotta as the Division Chief of Civil Rights. Ms. Browder also updated the Board on *ACRD v. Sunburst Farms Irrigation District*. Vincent Sottosanti updated the Board on two Tucson litigation disability employment cases that recently settled: *Cook v. Fry's* and *Merten v. Northwest Medical Center*.

e. Draft Language of ACRA State Board Per Diem Compensation and Expense Reimbursement Policy

Ms. Browder advised she submitted the policy and it was accepted.

f. Status of Legislation re Civil Action for Victims of Human Trafficking

Ms. Browder advised the Board the legislation did not make the floor this year. The Board is hopeful it will be able to get it done next legislative session.

g. Law Enforcement Survey

Ms. Browder created a draft email to send out to the Law Enforcement agencies in Arizona. Discussion was held about changes to the text as written. Kathryn Hackett King moved to approve the email language with discussed edits. Rachel Frazier Johnson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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h. Call to the Public

No members of the public were present.

i. Status of New Project Ideas

The Board was advised by Rebekah Browder that the homelessness letter will be mailed the following week. Joshua Carden requested to add the following items to the next Board meeting: the summer meeting schedule and discussion of new Board project ideas.

j. Call to the Board – Current Events Summary

Rebekah Browder and Vincent Sottosanti advised that Vincent Sottosanti will be presenting at a State Bar Conference CLE on civil rights and service animals and also another event with a realtors association.

k. Adjournment

There being no other announcements or matters, Joshua Carden to adjourn the meeting at 1:04 p.m., Kathryn Hackett King seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

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