

Minutes
June 26th, 2024

Commissioner Present:

Kathryn Cobb-Holmes
Richard Wagner
Anthony Reynolds
Valerie Phelps Robinson
Wanda Negron

Commissioner(s) Absent:

Lisa Blount

Staff:

Kimberly Talbot

City Council Liaison:

Wesley Butler

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Cobb-Holmes at 6:02 p.m. The minutes from May were reviewed. Commissioner Reynolds moved to accept the minutes, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Phelps-Robinson. The minutes were approved.

Executive Director's Report

The E.D. requested additional rental assistance funds from community development because we are out of funding.

The office will be getting a uniform shirt (polo) so there should not be future dress code violations.

The grant that I co-wrote to HUD was funded for 100K.

The E.D. received an inquiry into the last open spot on the board.

We had 5 employment inquiries and 4 intakes. We had no housing inquiries and 1 intake.

We were able to request an upward modification of our EEOC contract from 10 intakes to 20 intakes and 4 case closures.

Old Business

Commissioners held a discussion on the current state of homelessness and funding to address the issue.

New Business

There are no meetings in June or July.

Commissioner Reynolds discussed Wacky Water Wednesdays. He will email the schedule for distribution.

Commissioners welcomed Ms. Wanda Negron to the board. Ms. Negron wanted to know if you can be a member of two boards simultaneously. Her first choice is the redevelopment authority, and she is still waiting to hear about that.

Commissioner Reynolds suggested an agency "uniform" to address any dress code issues.

Judge Butler, Johnson & Scott have a shadowing program. Commissioners should refer interested students to any one of the 3 Judges.

The mayor's summer youth employment program will begin on 6/16.

Good & Welfare

Commissioner Reynolds discussed

-Wacky Water Wednesdays. He will email the schedule for distribution.

-RAWA participated in the dental clinic at Santander.

Commissioner Cobb-Holmes will forward employment information she receives on a consistent basis to the E.D. to provide to clients of the HRC.

BCIU is having a job fair and Commissioner Cobb-Holmes will forward the information once she has date/time information.

Training:

There was an EEOC training for investigators on 5/15.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.