



MINUTES
 Tuesday, April 26, 2022
 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Virtual Meeting
 Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF
Frances Castillo, Chair	Sharron Hinton, Interim Director
Ellis Driver	Melvyn Blackwell, Civil Rights Specialist
Michael Fath	
Shawnee Seese	
Ana Garcia-Turner	

MEMBERS ABSENT
Allison Mahaley (excused)
Dion Graham (excused)
Samantha Beecham (unexcused)

I. Call to Order

- A. Commissioner & Chair, Frances Castillo
 - i. Called meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

II. Minutes Approval – March 22, 2022

- A. Approval
 - i. Motion made by Commissioner Seese; Second by Commissioner Driver
 - ii. March 22, 2022 minutes approved

III. County Updates

- A. Human Rights & Relations Interim Director, Sharron Hinton
 - i. Interviews for the Human Rights & Relations director position will be held during the week of May 2, 2022. There will be two-panel interviews, one consisting of County departmental leads and one consisting of County community members. The County Manager, Bonnie Hammersley, and the Deputy County Manager, Travis Myren, will interview the final candidates.

IV. Executive Committee Report

- A. Commissioner & Chair, Frances Castillo
 - i. A doodle poll will be submitted to the Commission to determine Commissioner availabilities for board orientation and a virtual retreat.
 - ii. Commissioners should have received a Google document to confirm their contact information.
 - iii. Executive Committee members will be meeting with Human Rights & Relations staff to discuss Fair Housing training. Board of County Commissioners member Anna Richards, would be interested in the possibility of doing this in collaboration with the Affordable

Housing Commission. Commission Graham, a member of both the Human Relations Commission and Affordable Housing Commission will look into ways that the two Commissions can work together on initiative.

- iv. There will be a joint meeting between the Orange County Board of County Commissioner and the Orange County School Board on Thursday, April 28 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing school safety, mental health, teacher retention and recruitment, and human & community services. The Executive committee would like to make sure that there is a Human Relations Commission representative present during this meeting.

1. Commissioner Seese has volunteered to attend on the behalf of the Commission

V. HRC Reappointment

- A. Commissioner Beecham has not responded to inquiries regarding her continuation with the Human Relations Commission.
 - i. Commissioner Castillo will continue trying to make contact with Commissioner Beecham & Interim Director Hinton will contact the County Clerk for my guidance on how to best proceed with reappointment.

VI. HRC Events & Committee Reports

A. Committee Formation

i. *Pauli Murray Awards Committee*

1. Motion made by Commissioner Castillo to form the Pauli Murray Award Committee. Second made by Commissioner Garcia-Turner.
2. Motion passed to approve the formation of the Pauli Murray Award Committee.
3. Commissioners Seese and Fath have agreed to join the Pauli Murray Award Committee.

B. Committee Report

i. *Board Diversity Committee* | Ana Garcia-Turner

1. Committee has received the completed Diversity Survey but has not yet had the opportunity to review the results. They will be prepared to report out to the Commission by next month's session and will provide the Commissioners with access to the results.

ii. *Communications Committee* | Ellis Driver & Francis Castillo

1. Committee is exploring how to engage in a Community Conversation about learning about race in schools and Commission recruitment efforts.

VII. Other Business/Announcement/Upcoming Events

A. Human Rights & Relations Interim Director, Sharron Hinton

- i. Human Rights & Relations department will be collaborating with Orange County Rape Crisis Center and El Centro Hispano for the Latino Resource Festival on Saturday, April 30 at the Seymour Center.

VIII. Adjourn

- A. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Castillo at 6:32 p.m.
- B. NEXT MEETING: May 24, 2022 at TBD