

Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations
Minutes of Meeting
October 4, 1999

Attendance: Pamela Golden, *Chair Pro Temp*

Rev. Lou Vallone	B. J. Samson	Dr. Barbara Burstin
Christine Williams	Susan Yohe	Alma Speed Fox
Rev. William Morgan	Dr. George Board	

Staff: Charles F. Morrison, *Director*
Connie Miskis Zatek Yancy Miles George Monroe

Guests: Dave Goldberg, City Controller's Office

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Vice Chair, Pamela Golden, called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m.

II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the September 13, 1999 full Commission meeting were unanimously adopted as circulated upon motion duly made and carried.

III. COMPLIANCE UPDATE

George Monroe, EEOC Liaison, reported that the contract with the EEOC has been modified upward 50 cases for FY 1999. This means that 199 cases must be submitted, instead of the original 149. Fortunately, the Commission case production was able to meet this upgrade, and in fact, has 17 additional cases applied to the FY2000 contract that began on October 1, 1999. The total number of cases to be processed under the FY 2000 contract has not yet been determined.

Director Morrison gratefully acknowledged the hard work of staff and Commissioners in meeting, and beating, the contract again.

IV. DIRECTORS REPORT

Director Morrison detailed several of the items that were forwarded earlier as part of his written report.

V. COMMITTEE REPORT

No reports were presented.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Burstin distributed a copy of a New York Times article regarding retaliation litigation for the Commissioner's general information.

Commissioner Yohe stated that she will forward to the Director a copy of a New York Times article by Andrew Sullivan entitled "*Why We Can't Win the War Against Hate.*" She thought that it may be of interest to Commissioners.

Director Morrison asked Commissioners to begin thinking about the meeting schedule for 2000, especially if they wished to change meeting dates or times. All Commissioners present agreed that the schedule for both full Commission meetings and those of the Compliance Review Committee should remain the same. Connie will survey those Commissioners absent.

Director Morrison reported that there are currently nine cases awaiting public hearing, many of which will be scheduled early in the New Year. All Commissioners will be notified the dates and times of all public hearings.

With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was properly adjourned at approximately 4:30 p.m.

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MEMORANDUM

To: All Commissioners

FROM: Connie Miskis Zatek
Secretary to Director

DATE: September 30, 1999

SUBJECT: **MEETING NOTICE**

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for **Monday, October 4, 1999**. Enclosed are the Minutes from the September meeting and this month's Director's Report.

2:30 p.m. Compliance Review Section
(Case Summaries were mailed to Section earlier.)

Please keep in mind that three Commissioners are needed for a quorum and there are only seven Commissioners assigned to this Section. Your attendance is needed.

3:30 p.m. Full Commission meeting

The Executive Committee is NOT scheduled to meet.

If you are not able to attend your assigned meeting(s), please call me immediately at 255-2600. Otherwise, we will expect you.

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Enclosures

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Directors Report

September 28, 1999

September 7, 1999	Meeting of the Pennsylvania Attorney Generals Hate Crimes working group at the Allegheny County Police training academy.
September 8, 1999	Attended the Safe Schools Conference at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center
September 10, 1999	Meeting with representatives from the Department of City Planning and the Urban Redevelopment Authority to develop the City's five-year Consolidated Plan and, in particular, the development of a request for proposals for an Impediments to Fair Housing Study
September 15, 1999	Attended the Pittsburgh Board of Public Education Inter-Agency Task Force meeting
September 16-17, 1999	Attended the U.S. Department of Justice Community Relations Service National Race Relations Symposium in Washington, D.C.
September 25, 1999	Attended the "Together Against Violence" Symposium at Carlow College
September 27, 1999	Attended the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission meeting in Pittsburgh