

## MINUTES

### SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION FOR MINORITY AFFAIRS

#### BOARD MEETING

June 8, 2018

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

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Commissioner Kenneth Battle	Commissioner Eddie C. Guess
Commissioner Karen McGill	Commissioner William B. James, Jr.
Commissioner Louie Chavis	Commissioner Kent Washington
Commissioner Lamont A. Flowers	Commissioner Tia Brewer-Footman
Commissioner Michelle Law-Gordon	
<b>** Commissioner Tammie Wilson</b>	

**\*\* New Commissioner**

#### CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE CHECK

The June 8, 2018 meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by the Chair at 10:00 am at 2221 Devine Street, Room 101, Columbia, SC 29205

In the absence of Mr. Smith, CMA Executive Director, the CMA Administrative Manager, Ms. Lauretha Whaley conducted the meeting's attendance check. Present were: Commissioner Kenneth Battle, Commissioner Karen McGill, Commissioner Louie Chavis, Commissioner Lamont Flowers and Tammie Wilson. Commissioner Michelle Law-Gordon was present for Executive Session only, via conference call. Absent were: Commissioner Eddie Guess, Commissioner Kent Washington, Commissioner William B. James, Jr. and Commissioner Tia Brewer-Footman. Ms. Whaley announced that we do not have a quorum.

The Chair announced that there will be no official actions or votes. The informational meeting proceeded. He also announced the suspension of the agenda and the minutes from the last meeting. The Chair asked the Commissioners if there were any changes to the agenda. There were none.

The Chair introduced the new Commissioner, Ms. Tammie Wilson, and asked her to briefly tell the Board about herself and she did. He asked the Commissioners if they have any comments. Commissioner McGill welcomed Commissioner Wilson.

At the end of the Commissioner's comments, the meeting was turned over to Ms. Whaley for the Executive Director's comments. Ms. Whaley commented on:

- New staff members of the CMA. Ms. Whaley introduced each new staff member. They are:

- Atieno Adongo, Administrative Assistant to the Human Trafficking Program Coordinator
- Cobby Carter, Statistician, working with Mr. Washington in Policy and Research
- Eric Garner, also working with Mr. Washington to prepare the Statistical Profile
- Mauricio Orozco, IT Coordinator and CMA Webmaster

Commissioner Battle welcomed all of them to the CMA.

Ms. Whaley briefed the Commissioners on the following:

- “Forging New Pathways...” – the 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the Working Together Works strategic plan. She discussed the plan to present the final report on June 20, 2018 and invited all of the Commissioners to attend. The Chair echoed the invitation and reminded the Commissioners that the CMA will fund any lodging they may need for the night prior to the presentation.
- The 2017-2018 budget report.
- She has not received any news on the status of the budget for FY 2018-2019.
- How to effectively use the carry forward funds. Possibly fund new CMA position(s). Commissioner McGill asked the Board Chair if there will be cutbacks at CMA. He indicated “Not anytime soon.”
- Goal of the CMA is increase research.
- The next meeting date is September 14, 2018.
- Motion to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session was properly made and seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

**SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION FOR MINORITY AFFAIRS BOARD MEETING**  
**2221 Devine Street, Room 101 - Columbia, SC 29205**  
**Friday, June 8, 2018**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**Agenda**

- I. Call to Order and Attendance Check
- II. Welcome
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Approval of Minutes
- V. Comments and Observations
  - A. Chairman of the Board of Commissioners
  - B. Members of the Board of Commissioners
- VI. Executive Director's Reports
  - A. Forging New Pathways to Fight Poverty in South Carolina
  - B. 2017-18 Budget Report
  - C. 2018-19 Budget Request
- VII. Board Meeting Dates
  - A. Next Meeting Date: *September 14, 2018.*
  - B. Other FY 2018-19 Meeting Dates: *December 14, 2018; March 8, 2019; June 14, 2019.*
- VIII. Executive Session
- IX. Adjournment