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ONONDAGA COUNTY/SYRACUSE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

April 17, 2024 ONONDAGA COUNTY/SYRACUSE HRC MEETING

Draft Meeting Minutes: pending approval

_Hassina Adams

_Samia Al-Fareh

_H. Bernard Alex

_M. Banabas

_Agnes McCray

_Liam O'Connor

_Ryan Smith

_Roosevelt Baums

_Rasheada Caldwell

_Chris Gilkes

_Paul Harvey

_Lauren Rosenstein

_Leo Sanchez

_Mia Wade

Absent: Mbonimpa Banabas, Roosevelt Baums, Rasheada Caldwell, Ryan Smith, Chris Gilkes

Present (in-person): Hassina Adams, Samia Al-Fareh, Bishop H. Bernard Alex, Agnes McCray, Liam O'Connor, Lauren Rosenstein, Leo Sanchez, Mia Wade, Paul Harvey.

County staff present: CDO Monica Williams and Exec. Dir. of HR Montanette Murphy

Community Members present: Alexandra Brooks, undergrad student from Syracuse University; Professor Anni Bellows, Syracuse University; and Charles Hudson.

Opening: Commissioners met in person at Beauchamp Branch Library. Discussion began at 5:40 p.m.

Introductions and Welcome: Professor Anni Bellows spoke about the upcoming June 4-5 National Right to Food Summit.

Chair's report: Nothing to report at this time

Administrator's report: The month of May and June are approaching. Many cultural events are taking place. HRC has an opportunity to connect and interact with the community during these events.

Discussion: Commissioner Alex confirmed he has written the letter to the J-E School board; He will send the letter to Montanette and the HRC in the next few days.

Action Taken: Commissioners designated Commissioner H. Bernard Alex as interim Chair. Upon securing a quorum, the HRC will elect a chairperson.

Discussion ended at 6:30

Minutes submitted by Montanette Murphy on April 22, 2024