ONONDAGA COUNTY/SYRACUSE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
April 17, 2024 ONONDAGA COUNTY/SYRACUSE HRC MEETING

*Draft Meeting Minutes: pending approval*

_Hassina Adams_  _Roosevelt Baums_
_Samia Al-Fareh_  _Rasheada Caldwell_
_H. Bernard Alex_  _Chris Gilkes_
_M. Banabas_  _Paul Harvey_
_Agnes McCray_  _Lauren Rosenstein_
_Liam O’Connor_  _Leo Sanchez_
_Ryan Smith_  _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 Broooks, 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