

HUMAN RIGHTS AUTHORITY  
SPRINGFIELD REGION MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, June 30, 2015  
Howlett Building Auditorium  
501 S. Second St, Springfield, Illinois

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Human Rights Authority, Springfield Region was called to order at 5:40 p.m. by the Springfield Region Chair Pro tem James Bakunas.

PRESENT: James Bakunas, Richard Dixon, Tara Dunning, Javed Irshad,  
Abdush Shakoor, Fred Stewart

STAFF: Jon Burnet, Coordinator

I. CALL TO ORDER

It was determined that a quorum was present. Rich read the confidentiality statement.

II. MINUTES

Minutes of both regular session and executive session for May 26 were reviewed. Rich motioned to approve both documents and Shakoor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. New Complaints

15-050-9013 The complaint was amended so a new motion was made by Tara to open 15-050-9013 for investigation. Rich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

15-050-9015 A motion was made by Rich and seconded by Javed to open case 15-050-9015 for investigation. Motion carried.

15-050-9016 A motion to open case 15-050-9016 for investigation was made by Tara and seconded by Fred. Motion carried.

15-050-9017 A motion to open case 15-050-9017 for investigation was made by Rich and seconded by Javed. Motion carried.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Closed Session Items

At 6:10 p.m. Tara motioned to go into closed session in accordance with Section 3955/21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act (20 ILCS 3955/21) and Section 120/2 of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2) for discussion on case progress and closures, draft reports and other matters which could not be discussed without revealing

confidential information. Rich seconded the motion and it carried.

The HRA returned to open session at 6:53 p.m. having taken no voting action in closed session. A summary of the closed session includes case progress, draft reports and responses (15-9001, 9004, 9007, 9011, 9008, 9009).

B. Accept Response/Case Closure/Make Public

Motion by Tara and seconded by Fred to accept the draft report on case 15-050-9011 as written. Motion carried.

Motion by Javed and seconded by Tara to accept the response on case 15-050-9004 and make public. Motion carried.

Motion by Shakoor and seconded by Rich to accept the response on case 15-050-9008 and make public. Motion carried.

Motion by Tara and seconded by Rich to not to accept the response on case 15-050-9009. Motion carried.

V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made by Tara and seconded by Rich to nominate James as Chairperson. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Tara and seconded by James to nominate Rich as Vice Chair. Motion carried.

A motion was made by James and seconded by Rich to nominate Janet Shelton as Secretary. Motion carried.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

A motion was made by Tara and seconded by Fred to maintain confidentiality of previous six months of Executive Session minutes. Motion carried.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Tara moved to adjourn the meeting, James seconded and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tara Dunning, Secretary