



MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES, APPOINTMENTS & EQUITY COMMITTEE MEETING

**THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2012
CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
10:00 AM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Conwell at 10:06 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Chairwoman Conwell asked Deputy Clerk Barnhill to call the roll. Committee members Conwell and Gallagher were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Rogers was absent from the meeting. Councilmember Miller was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA

No public comments were given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 3, 2012 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Gallagher and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2012 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) M2012-0017: A Motion confirming the County Executive's reappointment of individuals to serve on the Cuyahoga Arts and Culture Board of Trustees, and declaring the necessity that this Motion become immediately effective:

- 1) Victoria Eaton Johnson
- 2) Sari Feldman

Mr. Jim Boyle, Special Assistant to County Executive FitzGerald, addressed the Committee regarding Motion No. M2012-0017. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Boyle pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

In lieu of their attendance, Ms. Victoria Eaton Johnson and Ms. Sari Feldman submitted written statements which were distributed to Committee members.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Gallagher Motion No. M2012-0017 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for consideration with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of rules.

b) M2012-0018: A Motion confirming the County Executive's appointment of individuals to serve on the Cuyahoga County Public Defender Commission, and declaring the necessity that this Motion become immediately effective:

- 1) Phyllis L. Crocker
- 2) Gordon Friedman

Mr. Boyle addressed the Committee regarding Motion No. M2012-0018. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Boyle pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

In lieu of their attendance, Ms. Phyllis Crocker and Mr. Gordon Friedman submitted written statements which were distributed to Committee members.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Gallagher Motion No. M2012-0018 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for consideration with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of rules.

c) O2012-0005: An Ordinance prohibiting inquiries about or consideration of criminal convictions of applicants for Cuyahoga County employment positions until the applicant has been offered conditional employment; establishing the criterion under which criminal records may be considered, and establishing exceptions.

Mr. Justin Priest, President/CEO of New Start Management; Ms. Bishara Addison, Policy Associate for Towards Employment and Ms. Erika Forde, Project Coordinator for the Greater Cleveland Integrated Re-Entry Project at the Center for

Families and Children, addressed the Committee regarding Ordinance No. O2012-0005. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmembers asked questions of Mr. Priest, Ms. Addison and Ms. Forde pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

Ordinance No. O2012-0005 was postponed from further consideration at this time.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were given.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Chairwoman Conwell at 11:37 a.m., without objection.