

LGBTQ Commission of Kansas City
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 11/16/2022

Meeting Location: Virtual

Start time: 6:10pm

Roll Call: as follows

Attendance (x indicates present)	x	Moon Glasgow Brown, Chair (they/them)		Education (vacant)	x	Justin Short, District 4 (he/him)
	x	Justice Horn, Vice Chair (he/him)	x	Cici Glasgow, Public Safety (they/them)	x	Eram Ninaz, District 5 (x)
		JD Besares, Housing (he/him)		Mel Bishop, District 1		Clara Anderson Sainte, District 6
	x	Molly Uhlenhake, DO, Health (she/her)		District 2 (vacant)		
	x	Darryl Johnson, Business (he/him)	x	Celia Ruiz, District 3 (she/her)		

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Short moved to approve minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Horn.

Old Business:

Spanish Language Holiday Event. Commissioner Ruiz presented recap on December event, 'Festejando en Familia' Event held at Arvest Bank in partnership with the Consulate of Mexico – Kansas City.

"Pox" Updates. Commissioner Uhlenhake U provided an update on M-Pox immunization clinics. Kansas City Health Department hosted and will continue to host M-Pox immunization clinics as Anchor Island Coffee and looks to partner with other sites, such as Fountain House. The next clinic is scheduled for Anchor Island Coffee this Friday. The Health Department is open to new locations and if you would like to recommend a site, please reach out.

New business:

City Summit 2022. Vice Chair Horn was invited to speak at City Summit 2022 and spoke on the Commission's work and areas of needed support in community.

Meeting Dates until March. Chair Glasgow Brown reminded Commission of upcoming meeting dates. Also shared in the agenda.

Trans Day of Remembrance (TDOR) Plans. Vice Chair Horn asked for any community led TDOR events and if there is any opportunity to support and/or share. Kansas City Center for Inclusion is sharing their events online. Kansas City Employee Resource Group, KC Proud, is considering an event for this Friday. Follow will be made with group and if they decide to host, we can coordinate supports. University Health will hold a ceremony on Friday, also organized by their Employee Resource Group. House of Carrington will host a Memorial Service for Lord Biskit Carrington tonight at The G Spot.

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Worlds AIDS Day – December 1st. Vice Chair asked for any community led World AIDS Day events and if there is any opportunity to support and/or share. KC AIDS Service Foundation will have a fundraiser and mural showing. Blaqout has not announced an event yet, but Chair Glasgow Brown will also check the National Ball Calendar.

Human Rights Day – December 10th. Vice Chair Horn asked for any community led Human Rights Day and if there is any opportunity to support and/or share. No events are known.

Jackson County and Clay County, MO LGBTQ + Legislative Updates. Vice Chair Horn spoke to upcoming efforts across multiple counties to support Conversion Therapy Ban legislation.

Nafasi Center Fundraiser. Chair Glasgow Brown Moon shared LGBTQ services provided by Nafasi Center and sustainability challenges faced by the organization. ReBuild KC funds fell through and organization in need of support to continue providing mobile services. Will continue to pursue crowdfunding options in addition to exploring city funding streams, including but not limited to budget request. Organization also requested support in applying for Adopt-A-Street program.

Ordinance 220943. Justice Ordinance 220943. Vice Chair Horn shared ordinance expected to be up for debate on November 29th. Ordinance will directly affect Commissioners running for elected office as candidates will not be able to serve on a board or commission.

Audit. Chair Glasgow Brown shared Commission is due for a City Audit soon and therefore Conflict of Interest Forms are requested. Additionally, residency eligibility will also be reviewed.

Transition Updates. Chair Glasgow Brown shared Commissioner Long, Education Commissioner, resigned and is no longer a resident of Kansas City, Missouri. Commissioner Sloan, District 2 Commissioner, has also resigned as they are no longer a resident of Kansas City, Missouri. Chair Glasgow Brown and Commissioner Glasgow Brow, Public Safety Commissioner, will move out of district in February 2023. Bylaws address the procedure for the Chair's absence, Vice Chair election and process for the appointment of new Commissioners. A special meeting will be scheduled for December. If additional positions are vacated as a result of voting and/or new appointments, Chair Glasgow recommended Marquez 'Quez' Beasley for 3rd District Commissioner. Chair Glasgow Brown will send any remaining recommendations to Vice Chair and Commission. Commissioners are also encouraged to send any recommendations for existing vacancies.

Conflict of Interest Forms. Chair Glasgow Brown notified Commissioners to submit required Annual Conflict of Interest Forms to Chair.

Bylaws Review. Chair Glasgow Brown and Vice Chair Horn presented updates for approval. Chair Glasgow Brown motioned to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Short. Roll call for full

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Commission approval: Commissioners Ruiz, Horn, Johnson, Ninaz, Short and Cici Glasgow Brown.
Motion passed.

Goals 2023. To allow for full discussion, 2023 Goal Planning moved to next meeting due to time constraints. Items to consider include community pop ups, filling upcoming vacancies and connecting with organizations such as Prism and KC Pride Alliance.

Open Forum

Commissioner Ruiz shared Youth Mental Health First Aid Instructor scholarships for adults working with BIPOC youth. Funding provided by National Council for Mental Wellbeing.

Commissioner Ninaz shared upcoming community demonstration in Wyandotte County tomorrow. Hosted by multiple community partners.

Adjournment

End of meeting time: 8:21pm