

OFFICE OF EQUAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, June 16, 2021
Minutes

Members Present:

Scott Johnson, Chair
Javin Walker-Vice Chair
Denise Albritton
Juan Pagan
Clementine Fleuranvil
Seabron Smith
Lorna Anderson
John Elliott
Amy Angelo
Doris Pastl

Staff Present:

Tonya Davis Johnson, Director
David Behar, Assistant County Attorney
Dorianna Kristensen, Contract Analyst
Antonia Smith, Public Info. and Outreach Coordinator
Vicky Cronell, SBDS I

Guests:

Peggy West – MCO Construction
Yolanda Phillips – MCO Construction
Jessica Garring – Awaken Media

Members Virtual:

Robert Waite
Courtney McKenzie Newell
Jerry Steinberg

Members Absent: Aida Vidal-Napier, Carole Hart

Vacant Seats: None.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 8:36 a.m. by Chair, Scott Johnson.

A. Roll Call

Roll called by Vicky Cronell. Quorum present.

B. Adoption of Agenda for June 16, 2021 Meeting

Motion by Juan Pagan, seconded by Javin Walker motion passed unanimously.

C. Adoption of Minutes for April 21, 2020 Meeting

Motion by Juan Pagan, seconded by Javin Walker motion passed unanimously.

D. Introduction of Guests

Peggy West – MCO Construction, Yolanda Phillips – MCO Construction, Jessica Garring – Awaken Media

II. COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATE

Tonya Davis Johnson stated the Committee is at full complement. She will discuss committee renewals as well as the vote for Chair and Vice-Chair under new business.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. OEBO Outreach Activity Report

Antonia Smith discussed the past and upcoming outreach/training events.

B. Small Business Certification Status Report

Dorianna Kristensen indicated that we have increased the certifications by five from the last Advisory Meeting to 692. The Committee discussed the different class indicators.

There was a discussion regarding the additions to the Newly Certified Vendor Report.

Javin Walker suggested a networking event for certified business to meet each other as well as the Advisory Board and Ms. Davis Johnson tasked Ms. Smith with coordinating the year end event.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ms. Davis Johnson noted that the Chair and Vice Chair positions held by Scott Johnson and Javin Walker, respectively, expired in August. David Behar clarified that the term limit is for one year, but there is not a limit to the amount of times allowable to serve as long as there is a space between terms. The floor opened for nominations for Chair. Seabron Smith nominated Javin Walker and seconded by Lorna Anderson, and unanimously passed. The floor re-opened for nominations for Vice-Chair and Courtney Newell nominated Lorna Anderson and seconded by Amy Angelo, and unanimously passed.

B. Ms. Davis Johnson indicated that the following seats are up for renewal and will go before the BCC on October 5, 2021. Seat 3, Certified Woman Business Owner held by Doris Pastl; Seat 4, Certified White Male Business Owner held by Robert Waite; Seat 5, Business Owner Domiciled in Palm Beach County held by Amy Angelo; Seat 9, Women's Business Organization held by Denise Albritton, Seat 12; Small Business Development Center held by Carole Hart; and Seat 14, Black Chamber of Commerce held by Courtney Newell. All seats have requested reappointment with the exception of Seat 9, Women's Business Organization held by Denise Albritton.

V. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Various discussions for upcoming events and congratulations for the new appointees. Ms. Fleuranvil stated that it might be helpful if there was an outline or summary of the program for new Committee Members.

VI. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Ms. Davis Johnson thanked Mr. Johnson and Mr. Walker for their service as Chair and Vice-Chair during Covid-19 as well as the OEBO staff.

VII. COUNTY ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS

None.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jessica Garring – Awaken Media introduced herself and her company.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.