



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES, APPOINTMENTS & EQUITY
COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
10:00 AM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Turner called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Turner asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Georgakopoulos to call the roll. Committee members Turner, Gallagher, Miller and Sweeney were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Conwell arrived after the roll call was taken. Councilmember Kelly was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 30, 2024 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Sweeney, seconded by Mr. Gallagher and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the April 30, 2024 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2024-0154: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's reappointment of Dr. Barbara Gripshover to serve on the Cuyahoga Regional HIV Prevention and Care Planning Council for the term 4/1/2024 – 3/31/2027, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

There was no legislative action taken on Resolution No. R2024-0154.

- b) R2024-0179: A Resolution adopting various changes to the Cuyahoga County Non-Bargaining Classification Plan; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

There was no legislative action taken on Resolution No. R2024-0179.

- c) R2024-0183: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Kathryn Parks to serve on the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County for an unexpired term ending 6/30/2027, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Toscos addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0183.
Discussion ensued.**

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Toscos pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

**Ms. Kathryn Parks addressed the Committee regarding her nomination to serve on Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County.
Discussion ensued.**

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Parks pertaining to her experience, expertise and qualifications, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2024-0183 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- d) R2024-0184: A Resolution confirming the County Executive's appointment of Kate McBride to serve on the Child Abuse and Child Neglect Regional Prevention Council of the Ohio Children's Trust Fund representing the Great Lakes Region, for an unexpired term ending 9/27/2024, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

**Ms. Toscos addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0184.
Discussion ensued.**

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Toscos pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

Ms. Kate McBride addressed the Committee regarding her nomination to serve on Child Abuse and Child Neglect Regional Prevention Council of the Ohio Children’s Trust Fund representing the Great Lakes Region. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. McBride pertaining to her experience, expertise and qualifications, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2024-0184 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

- e) R2024-0185: A Resolution confirming the County Executive’s appointment of The Honorable Judge Donna Congeni Fitzsimmons to serve on the Cuyahoga County Diversion Board for unexpired term ending 2/28/2025, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Toscos addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0185. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Toscos pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

The Honorable Judge Donna Congeni Fitzsimmons addressed the Committee regarding her nomination to serve on the Cuyahoga County Diversion Board. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of The Honorable Judge Fitzsimmons pertaining to her experience, expertise and qualifications, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Mr. Sweeney, Resolution No. R2024-0185 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

Ms. Turner, Ms. Conwell, Mr. Sweeney, Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Miller requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.

- f) R2024-0186: A Resolution confirming the County Executive’s reappointment of Brandy Carney to serve on the Cuyahoga County Diversion Board for the term 3/1/2024 – 2/28/2027, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Toscos addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0186. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Toscos pertaining to the item, which she answered accordingly.

Ms. Brandy Carney addressed the Committee regarding her nomination to serve on the Cuyahoga County Diversion Board. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Carney pertaining to her experience, expertise and qualifications, which she answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Mr. Miller, Resolution No. R2024-0186 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

Ms. Turner and Mr. Miller requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.

- g) R2024-0193: A Resolution authorizing an amendment with Medical Mutual of Ohio for stop loss insurance services for County employees and their eligible dependents and Cuyahoga County Benefits Regionalization Program participants' employees and their eligible dependents for the period 1/1/2023 – 12/31/2023, to extend the time period to 12/31/2024, to change the terms, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,934,511.00 effective 1/1/2024; authorizing the County Executive to execute the amendment and all other documents consistent with this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Ms. Gloria Langford, Director of Employee Benefits and Mr. Stephen Witt, Business Services Manager for the Department of Human Resources; and Ms. Kelsey Finucan, Vice President, Large Market Practice Leader for Oswald Companies, addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0193. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Ms. Langford, Mr. Witt and Ms. Finucan pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Turner with a second by Ms. Conwell, Resolution No. R2024-0193 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Turner adjourned the meeting at 11:22 a.m., without objection.