

African-American Affairs Commission  
 Approved Minutes for December 7, 2011  
 Old Judiciary Room – Capitol Building

**Present:** Commissioner **Campbell**, Commissioner **Canterbury**, Commissioner **Clark**, Commissioner **Darity**, Commissioner **DelGado**, Commissioner **Hugley**, Commissioner **McBride**, Commissioner **Pierre-Louis**, Commissioner **Thompson**, and Commissioner **Wright**

**Absent:** Commissioner **Bellamy**, Commissioner **Hayes**, Commissioner **Jones**, Commissioner **Washington** and Commissioner **Logan**

**Staff in Attendance:** AAAC Legislative Secretary, **Denise Drummond**

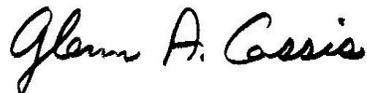
**Public:** None

Agenda Item	Discussion ( <i>brief summary</i> )	Action ( <i>and by whom</i> )
<b>Meeting called to order</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b> Called to order	Chairperson <b>Fred Pierre-Louis</b>
<b>Roll Call</b>	10 Present and 5 absent	Legislative Secretary <b>Denise Drummond</b>
<b>Public Comment</b>	<u>None</u> -	
<b>Minutes</b>	October 5, 2011 Minutes were approved.  November 16, 2011 Minutes were approved.	Moved by Commissioner <b>DelGado</b> , seconded by Commissioner <b>McBride</b>  Moved by Commissioner <b>McBride</b> , seconded by Commissioner <b>Thompson</b>
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	Treasurer Jones not in attendance.	
<b>Chairperson's Report</b>	Chairperson Pierre-Louis mentioned that votes were tallied for the Strategic Planning Retreat. Kenya Rutland KJR	

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	<p>Consulting has been selected. A meeting has been set up for the Executive Director, Cassis, Chairperson Pierre-Louis and Commissioner Canterbury for Tuesday, December 13, 2011.</p>	
<p><b>Executive Director's Report</b></p>	<p>Executive Director was not present; his report was distributed to the Commission. Chairperson suggested that Commissioners contact Mr. Cassis with any questions. Commissioner DelGado made reference to Executive Director assisting Department of Education with designing a plan to address low high school graduation rates for minority Special Education students. She suggested the Commission take on projects like this of its own. She also had questions about Racial Profiling but will address them at next meeting when Executive Director will be present.</p> <p>Commissioners Canterbury, Hugley, McBride, Thompson and Wright arrive.</p>	
<p><b>Resolutions</b></p>	<p><b><u>Resolution #162</u></b> - 2012 Commission Meeting Schedule was passed.</p> <p><b><u>Resolution #163</u></b> - AAAC will assist advocacy organizations in New Haven County, such as the Greater New Haven Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), with addressing the rapid increase in homicides and increase in interpersonal race/violence relationships specifically throughout the City of New Haven. The AAAC will assist by participating and serving on anti-violence task forces, forums, symposiums, roundtable discussions, and meetings throughout New Haven County created and designed to educate, enlighten and empower its residents by bringing people together and engaging them in thoughtful dialogue, leading the way to constructive multidisciplinary action.</p> <p>Commissioner Hugley discussed his involvement with trying</p>	<p>Moved by Commissioner, <b>Wright</b> seconded by Commissioner <b>Darity</b></p> <p>Moved by Commissioner, <b>DelGado</b> seconded by Commissioner <b>McBride</b></p>

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	to reduce violence in New Haven. Discussion continued about the wording of the resolution. The Commission “will” or “may” assist. It was decided that the wording remain “will” assist. Resolution was passed.	
<b>Committee Report</b>	<b><u>None</u></b> Commissioner DelGado has concerns about the number of Committees. She made a suggestion that the number of Committees be reduced. Will follow up at next meeting.	
<b>Old Business</b>	<b><u>None</u></b>	
<b>New Business</b>	<b><u>“Believe The College Dream”</u></b> – Commissioner Thompson shared information from a conference that she along with Executive Director Cassis attended. The purpose is to work with schools, grades 4th – 8th to start looking at the possibility of college. Commissioner Thompson feels strongly that this is something the Commission should be involved with. Conference material was distributed and will be discussed further at next meeting.	
<b>Upcoming Events</b>	<b><u>None Mentioned</u></b>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	Adjourned at 6:27 PM	Moved by Commissioner <b>Pierre-Louis</b> seconded by Commissioner <b>Campbell</b>

Respectfully Submitted



Glenn A. Cassis, Executive Director

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_

Donna Campbell, Secretary /Date