

African-American Affairs Commission
 Unapproved Minutes for May , 2010
 Old Judiciary Room

Present: Commissioner **Clark**, Commissioner **Jones**, Commissioner **Darity**, and Commissioner **DelGado**, Commissioner **McBride**, Commissioner **Pierre-Louis**, Commissioner **Hugley**, Commissioner **Logan** and Commissioner **Wright**

Absent: Commissioner **Campbell**, Commissioner **Moore**, Commissioner **Washington**

Staff in Attendance: Mr. **Cassis** – Executive Director

Public: **Rick Jennings**, Blacks in Government – Region One Council

Agenda Item	Discussion <i>(brief summary)</i>	Action <i>(and by whom)</i>
Meeting called to order	6:05 pm	Commissioner Pierre-Louis
Roll Call	9 present 3 absent	Mr. Cassis
Public Comments	Rick Jennings briefed the Commission on Blacks in Government. A non profit organization, existing to support black professionals at all levels of government. Goals are to advocate for equal opportunity, eliminate practices of racism, promote professionalism, create programs that promote ethnic pride and educational opportunities. BIG will be hosting a national conference in Kansas, August 2011. Looking for support and to expand their organization. The AAAC will review the materials and will remain in contact with Mr. Jennings.	
Minutes	Minutes for April 7, 2010 reviewed and approved.	April Minutes Moved by Commissioner Pierre-Louis, seconded and approved by Commissioner Wright and Commissioner McBride

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Treasurer's Report	Commissioner Wright mentioned salary funds, indicating the last pay period will be in the negative. Glenn mentioned there will be a transfer of money from grant money received by the Commission.	Moved by Commissioner Pierre-Louis
Chairperson's Report	Chairperson distributed and summarized his report.	Moved by Commissioner Pierre-Louis, seconded and approved
Executive Director's Report	Reviewed written report sent with meeting package. Executive Director, Glenn Cassis mentioned that AAAC has been working on the upcoming Classic Awards as well as the KNOWHOW2GO Gear Up Forum. Also mentioned House bill # 5323 Affirmative Action bill appears to be dying. Education, Race to the Top appears as though it will pass.	Moved by Commissioner Pierre-Louis
Committee Reports	<u>Classic Awards</u> – Commissioner Wright applauded AAAC Staff (Executive Director, Glenn and Denise) for raising more money than in the past and all the effort put into preparing for the Classic Awards. Executive Director discussed a few issues regarding the program journal. Discussed the outline of the program. Delgado suggested having a moment of silence in recognition of fallen soldiers during the ceremony. Commissioner Wright asks that everyone arrive promptly at 5:30.	Moved by Commissioner Pierre-Louis
Resolutions	None	

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Old Business	None	Moved, seconded and approved
New Business	<p><u>Bylaws</u>: Chairperson Logan discussed changes in bylaws. Asked for a volunteer committee to get together to discuss and compare bylaws with current legislation, propose changes and discuss findings with commission. Commissioners Delgado, Jones and Pierre-Louis volunteered their services. Commissioner Delgado will chair the committee. Was noted that Commissioner Moore will be relocating out of state and will be leaving the Commission.</p> <p><u>GLAD</u>: Employment discrimination case, seeking AAC's support. Motion was made to sign on as "a friend of the court". Motion was passed.</p>	<p>Commissioner</p> <p>Moved by Commissioner Jones, seconded and approved by Commissioner ?.</p>
Upcoming Events	<p><u>KNOWHOW2GO GEAR UP FORUM</u>: May 11, 2010 at the Burroughs Community Center in Bridgeport, CT. Guest speaker will be Paul Vaneeventer. Mr. Cassis discussed the agenda for the upcoming event. Organization will come together to discuss ways to increase graduation rate, etc.</p>	
Adjournment	Adjourned at 7:47 pm	Moved by Commissioner Pierre-Louis, seconded and approved by Commissioner ?.

Glenn A. Cassis

Respectfully Submitted

Glenn A. Cassis, Executive Director

Approved by _____

Stephanie Moore, AAAC Secretary

Glenn A. Cassis