

**ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
February 4, 2010**

ROOM 525, KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 West Temple St., Los Angeles, CA 90012

Editorial Note: Agenda sections may be taken out of order at the discretion of the chair. Any reordering of sections is reflected in the presentation of these minutes.

I. CALL TO ORDER

With the presence of a quorum of Commissioners, Chairman Isaac Barcelona called the Commission meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF COMMISSIONER'S ABSENCES

The following was the attendance for the meeting:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

*Isaac Diaz Barcelona
Fred P. Balderrama
Robert Cole
Jeffrey C. Cox
Jonathan S. Fuhrman
Ronald K. Ikejiri
Arne Kalm
Chun Y. Lee
Adam Murray
Roman Padilla
Robert H. Philibosian
Freda Hinsche Otto
Janice Kamenir-Reznik
Solon C. Soteras*

COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED

*Alan Glassman
Bradley Mindlin
Royal F. Oakes
William Petak*

COMMISSIONERS NOT REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED

Hope J. Boonshaft

Chairman Barcelona asked for a motion to approve absences. It was Moved, Seconded, and Adopted: Commissioners requesting an excuse are excused.

III. APPROVAL OF February 4, 2010 MINUTES

Chairman Barcelona asked if there were any objections or changes to the minutes of the February 2010 Commission meeting. Hearing none, the motion was Moved, Seconded, and Adopted. The minutes of the February 2010 Commission meeting was approved.

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

No report

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director explained that the new Cultural Diversity/Sexual Harassment Prevention training will be conducted online this year. In order to set up accounts for Commissioners to do that, the last 4 digits of their Social Security number and Driver's License are needed.

Commissioners that are qualified to serve on the State's Citizens' Redistricting Commission were encouraged to apply.

TASK FORCE REPORT

1. Child Care Fraud – Chair-Emeritus Philibosian, Chair

Chair- Emeritus Philibosian stated that the meeting originally scheduled for February was cancelled and the Executive Director is working on a new meeting date.

2. Civil Service Reform-- Commissioner Otto, Commissioner Cox

Commissioner Otto reported that the Task Force has finalized their scope of work. She stated that the Task Force plans to bring a final report to the Commission for approval in November of this year. Commissioner stated that the first phase of the report will be an analysis of the issues within the Civil Service System particularly in Los Angeles County and also what areas appeared to be the most critical. She stated the Task Force would be doing interviews, surveys, and reading a lot of literature on this topic.

Commissioner Otto thanked Commissioner Kalm for reading over the scope of work. She stated that Commissioner Kalm made a suggestion to modify one sentence in the scope of work and that she would like to propose accepting the change made by Commissioner Kalm to the scope of work and have it approved by the Commission.

Commissioner Otto also noted that the Task Force's effort so far has been directed towards the development of the scope of work for the project. She stated that the Task Force has learned from all the meetings that the Civil Service System is a critical issue throughout the County.

Commissioner Otto stated that the Task Force was assisted by the CEO's office in setting up meetings with all the Unions in Los Angeles County. She stated that the Task Force would be meeting with two of the key unions following today's monthly meeting. She stated that in order for this project to really have any legs to move forward in the future it has to have a consensus of opinions from a lot of people.

Chairman Barcelona asked for a motion to approve the scope of work, it was Moved, Seconded, and Approved.

VII. LIAISON REPORTS

1. Local Government Service Commission – Commissioner Fuhrman

Commissioner Fuhrman stated that there is nothing new to report.

2. Quality & Productivity Commission – Commissioner Lee

Commissioner Lee reported that a group of Los Angeles County employee is trying to setup a DNA testing Lab and that they are requesting 1.8 million dollar funding for this lab, which they made a small presentation on. He stated also stated that there was a Board motion made for an Early Fire Detection System to be setup in the 5th District due to the hillside fires.

3. Countywide Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee – Chair-Emeritus Philibosian

Chair Emeritus Philibosian reported that there were routine reports discussed and a report from the California Department of Correction & Rehabilitation. The presentation was euphemistically titled “Presentation on Prison/Parole Reforms.” He stated that what they were explaining in this report was an early release program for prisoners on non-revocable parole.

Chair Emeritus Philibosian stated that there were about 8 people there to make the presentation and one individual stated that there would be conditions on the non-revocable parole prisoners.

VIII. PRESENTATION

There was no presentation.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Barcelona at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward Eng,
Executive Director