

**Commission on the Status of Children & Youth**  
**January 16th, 2023**  
**5:30pm**

**Present:** Erin Reynolds, Katie Hopkins, Shatoyia Moss, and Tatiana Wheeler

**1. Introductions**

Meeting began at 5:40pm. The commission didn't have a quorum.

**2. New Business**

**A. New Administration**

Toyia reported that we have a new administration. Kerry Thomson is the new mayor. She added that many department heads have changed. The mayor and her administration have made some adjustments. She told the commission there may be some changes to commission branding and commission. CFRD director Beverly Calendar-Anderson will be retiring in March. Toyia reported that the mayor appointed seats will be cycling off. If Jad, Katie, and Emily would like to continue on the commission they just need to let Toyia know before January 31st. Please encourage people to apply for commission.

**B. Commission Positions**

Toyia informed the commission that we have the opportunity to select new officers. Toyia hopes to have officer roles filled within the first quarter of the year. Toyia asked Katie to reach out to each commissioner about holding either an elected position or chairing a program.

Tatiana wondered if we should revisit the day and time.

**C. 2024 Projects:**

Katie created a spreadsheet on CSCY history from 2017-Present Day to figure out what the commission was doing before the pandemic. You can review the history [here](#).

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Teen Liaisons

Outreach

IYI: State of the Child

MCCSC Advisory Group - Katie involved. We could write a letter to MCCSC?

- Highschool Schedule Changes
- Transparency
- Addressing Socioeconomic Segregation - idea to combine a couple of elementary schools
- MCCSC Community Advocacy Group on FB for more info

Empower, enhance, nurture children and youth

Our commission discussed establishing committees that align with our commission's mission during our February meeting. These committees will be focused on making sure our events and outreach activities are in alignment with our mission.

Erin asked how the commission should advocate - how to rep the city and children on urgent issues.

Katie will reach out about availability for an additional Feb meeting vs Essay Contest. Ask commissioners about availability moving forward generally. Check with commissioners with positions.

### 3. City Staff Liaison Report

- A. **Black History Month:** Toyia shared that the theme is Blacks in Cinema. You can find all of the events [here](#). She said that the commission can table at the Black Market on Feb 17th. She asked the commission to consider whether or not we would like to volunteer for the essay contest on Feb 20th. There's an opportunity to add events to the Black History Month calendar.
- B. **Templates in Drive:** Toyia made a template for commission agenda and minutes.

### 4. Community Updates

There weren't any community updates.

### 5. Adjournment

Meeting ended at 7:00pm

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