



Richland County Council
Rules and Appointment Committee
MINUTES
November 15, 2022 – 3:00 PM
Council Chambers
2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Gretchen Barron, Chair, Bill Malinowski, and Jesica Mackey

OTHERS PRESENT: Derrek Pugh, Kyle Holsclaw, Michelle Onley, Tamar Black, Justin Landy, Ashiya Myers, Susan O’Cain, Dale Welch, Chelsea Bennett, Abhijit Deshpande, Sarah Harris, Leonardo Brown, Stacey Hamm, Zachary Cavanaugh, and Anette Kirylo.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Barron called the meeting to order at approximately 3:00 PM.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. **November 1, 2022** – Ms. Mackey moved to approve the minutes as distributed, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

3. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** – Ms. Mackey moved to adopt the agenda as published, seconded by Ms. Barron.

Mr. Malinowski inquired if Mr. Edward Frazier was appointed to another committee, as he was not on the list of candidates.

Ms. Kirylo stated she would research the matter.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

4. **INTERVIEWS** – Mr. Malinowski moved to go into Executive Session to conduct interviews for the Community Relations Council and the Music Festival Commission, seconded by Ms. Mackey.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

***The committee entered Executive Session at approximately 3:04 PM
and exited at approximately 4 43 PM***

Mr. Malinowski moved to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Ms. Mackey.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- a. Community Relations Council – One (1) Vacancy – Ms. Punam Patel, Mr. Christopher Clay, Ms. Keyia Stucks, and Mr. Darryl Wray were interviewed for the Community Relations Council.
- b. Music Festival Commission – One (1) Vacancy – Mr. Stephen Rebl, Mr. Steven Brown, Mr. Frank Robinson, and Mr. Lawrence Terry were interviewed for the Music Festival Commission.

5. **APPOINTMENTS**

- a. Community Relations Council – Ms. Barron inquired about how many vacancies for the Community Relations Council will be in the next advertisement.

Ms. Onley responded there will be three vacancies.

Ms. Barron noted those applications received will remain on file for one year.

Ms. Mackey stated the committee did not interview one candidate. She assumed the applicant would not be included in the selection process.

Ms. Barron responded in the affirmative. Ms. Barron noted, for the record, the committee did not interview applicants 4(a)(4) and 4(b)(5).

Mr. Malinowski stated one of the applicants was excellent and knowledgeable, and the person's current job goes hand-in-hand with what we are looking for in regard to this position. Another individual's qualifications were close, but they are an "outsider". He inquired if we would be better served by the "outsider" with good qualifications versus the individual that is "in-house".

Ms. Barron responded the position would be better served by someone that does not work in tandem with the Community Relations Council. She inquired as to what further benefit the board would garner from appointing this individual.

Mr. Malinowski moved to appoint Dr. Sybil Rosado, seconded by Ms. Barron.

Mr. Malinowski stated the qualifications, responses, and professionalism of Dr. Rosado are equal to

Ms. Kabrina Bass, but he thought Dr. Rosado was a better candidate.

In Favor: Malinowski

Opposed: Barron and Mackey

The motion failed.

Ms. Barron moved to appoint Ms. Shandelle Simmons, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

Ms. Barron noted her engagement with CRC and her military background make her a great applicant.

Ms. Barron stated she made a motion for the incorrect person and withdrew her motion.

Mr. Malinowski withdrew his second.

Ms. Barron moved to appoint Ms. Sharrell Simmons, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- b. Music Festival Commission – Ms. Barron inquired if the current advertisement included any vacancies for this commission.

Ms. Onley replied there were no vacancies included in the current advertisement.

Ms. Mackey stated she was overall impressed by the candidates, which makes this a hard decision.

Ms. Mackey moved to appoint Mr. Stephen Rebl, seconded by Ms. Barron.

Mr. Malinowski inquired as to the objective of the Music Festival Commission. He noted some of the applicants were in favor of supporting local artists. If the intent is to organize music festivals and bring in outside talent, he felt Mr. Steven Brown had more contacts throughout the country and could bring in a better entertainment.

Ms. Barron stated, in her opinion, they want individuals to be on this commission with experience and knowledge of music festivals and the industry overall. The connections would be left to the Executive Director.

Ms. Mackey noted Mr. Steven Brown was a good candidate, but also applied for multiple boards.

Ms. Barron noted, on the record, Mr. Brown was awesome and could be used on other boards.

In Favor: Barron and Mackey

Opposed: Malinowski

The vote was in favor.

6. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- a. Boards, Commission, and Committees Advertisement Schedule – Ms. Barron noted the deadline is approaching and we have a great pool of applicants.

Mr. Malinowski inquired if we should appoint to the Music Festival Commission since we are not sure of the objective of the commission.

Mr. Malinowski moved to reconsider the vote for the Music Festival Commission.
The motion died for lack of a second.

b. Applications currently on file – No action was taken.

7. **ADJOURNMENT** – Ms. Barron moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:03 PM.