



Public Meeting

January 20, 2023, 10:00 am

- Welcome, technology troubleshooting, and check-ins
- Meeting opened by Co-Chair Kelly-Barroga at 10:23 a.m.
- Co-Chair asked for roll call
 - Commissioners present:
 - Commissioner Marsha Botzer, Jefferson County
 - Commissioner M. Kelly-Barroga, Pierce County
 - Commissioner Alvaro Figueroa, Spokane County
 - Commissioner Mathew Landers, King County
 - Commissioner Jason Victor Serinus, Jefferson County
 - Commissioner Nick Franco, Spokane County
 - Commissioner Lars Erickson, King County
 - Commissioner Tobi Hill-Meyer, Thurston County
 - Commissioner Abigayle Coleman, Clark County
 - Commissioner Agaiotupu Viena, King County
 - Senator Claire Wilson, at-large
 - Commissioners Excused:
 - Commissioner Dustin Best, Okanogan County
 - Commissioner Everett Maroon, Walla Walla County
 - Commissioner Steven Sawyer, King County
 - Commissioner Ranulfo Molina, Skagit County
 - Commissioner Alicia Sojourner, Clark County
 - Representative Nicole Macri, at-large
 - Representative Skyler Rude, at-large
 - Staff:
 - J. Manny Santiago, Executive Director
 - Tracey Carlos, Program Manager
- Land acknowledgement, Housekeeping
- Acceptance of Minutes from November Meeting
 - Commissioner Erickson presents a motion to accept the Minutes from the November meeting with no changes.
 - Commissioner Botzer seconds the motion.
 - The Commission receives the Minutes from the November meeting in a unanimous vote.
- **Executive Director's report**, see attached report created by J. Manny Santiago.
- **Executive Committee:**
 - Co-Chair Kelly-Barroga presented; committee continues meeting regularly to discuss how the Commission is doing as a whole, to welcome the new officers, and begin creating a strategic plan. Co-Chair Kelly-Barroga highlighted the accomplishments the Commission has experienced since its inception.

- **Vice Chair Figueroa;** Provided America250 Committee update – the committee has formed individual committees and Vice Chair Figueroa is in the process of recruiting individuals across the state for inclusion and representation
- **Commissioner Serinus;** brought Queer Love Stories for commissioners to read
- **Co-Chair Kelly-Barroga;** had the opportunity to tour a detention facility where they were able to learn more about what the facility does with juvenile detentions
- **Commissioner Botzer;** Involved with Labor Movement and our Commission has an opportunity to get involved with their work
- **Co-Chair Viena;** no update on Poverty Reduction Committee. Co-Chair Viena made suggestions about what the America250 Committee can focus on
- **Updates on Budget and Legislative Priorities**
 - Director Santiago asks that we begin reaching out to contacts and advocate for support regarding the budget request items
 - We have two bills the Commission has worked with community on. One bill is to create a network and fund, of service agencies that are going to be supporting survivors of sex trafficking (HB1089/SB5114). One of the things about that bill, the original draft, has a component of requiring training for law enforcement agents to identify victims and not re-victimize them.
 - The other bill is related to infertility (HB1151/SB5204). 33% of recipients of these type of services are LGBTQ couples. Commission made a budget request to have a study done, and have findings. The bill has a town hall on 1/30/2023 from 6-9PM.
- **Commissioner Coleman;** met with the drag queen story hour folks in Clark County and they shared concerns about anti-trans rights bills passing in Washington.
- **Miscellaneous;** Director Santiago discussed what happens when travel expenses are made and quorum is not met for a public meeting last minute. He met with Assistant Attorney General and they advised if there is no quorum, we can establish a strategic planning committee so that issues can be discussed without actions. Director Santiago met with Co-Chair Kelly-Barroga with this proposal to select a few Commissioners to be part of that committee. Vice Chair Figueroa suggested the committee be created with the structure that it is comprised of commissioners who are present in that meeting and not limited to a handful of individuals.
- **Acceptance of Agenda**
 - Vice Chair Figueroa presents a motion to accept the agenda for January's public meeting with the addition of creating an ad-hoc strategic planning committee should quorum not be met for future public meetings for the duration of the strategic planning. Commissioner Landers amended the motion to create a three-person ad-hoc strategic planning committee.
 - Commissioner Franco seconds the motion.
 - The Commission receives the agenda with the changes in a unanimous vote.
 - Three members of the committee; Commissioner Franco, Commissioner Landers, and Commissioner Botzer.
- **Introduction of Facilitator/Ground Rules for Engagement**
 - Co-Chair Kelly-Barroga introduced Erick Seelbach who will be facilitating throughout the January public meeting. Director Santiago referred to the Mission and Vision of the

Commission as it is written in the legislature, in law. Strategic planning session was held during this time.

- **Public Comment**
 - Commissioner Coleman spoke about her meeting with PFLAG members and the Brunch Drag story hour regarding the concerns brought forward about anti-trans bills.
- **Wrap-Up and Announcements**
 - Commission went into recess, to reconvene tomorrow at 10AM at the same location.

Saturday January 21, 2023

- **Strategic Planning Session**
 - Idea overview of strategic initiatives as created by groups from Day One session.
- **Adjourn**
 - Commissioner Botzer motions to adjourn the January public meeting of the Commission. Commissioner Franco seconds the motion. With no objections, Co-Chair Kelly-Barroga adjourns the meeting.