



Peace and Justice
Commission

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February 3, 2025

DRAFT MINUTES

The meeting convened at 7:07 pm with Grace Morizawa (Chair) presiding. Peter Radu, Acting Secretary.

SECTION A. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. **Roll Call**

Present: Cassidy, Bell, Jacquelin, Marasovic, Fink, Mencher, Taylor, Lee, McNeil, Park, Jivan, Phillips, Mascarenhas-Swan, Morizawa

Absent: Elias

Excused: None

Leave of Absence: None

2. **Announcements**

None

3. **Comments from the Public**

Public Attendance: 2

Public Comments: 1

4. **Review and approval of meeting minutes**

M/S/C Morizawa/Taylor to approve the minutes of the 1/13/25 Commission meeting as written.

Ayes: Cassidy, Jacquelin, Fink, Mencher, Taylor, Lee, McNeil, Park, Jivan, Phillips, Morizawa

Noes: None

Abstain: Marasovic, Bell, Mascarenhas-Swan

Absent: Elias

Excused: None

5. **Commission Updates & Chairperson's Report:**

No action taken.

6. **Secretary's Report**

No action taken. Discussion of intent to revisit a Gaza ceasefire resolution on the next agenda.

SECTION B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

4. Chair and Vice-Chair Peace and Justice Commission Election

CHAIR

Nominees:

- Commissioner Phillips was nominated and accepted
- Commissioner Jivan was nominated and accepted

M/S Taylor/Cassidy to hold a roll call vote for Chair with the two nominees being Commissioner Phillips and Commissioner Jivan and the nominee receiving a quorum of votes winning.

M/S/C Jacquelin/Lee - to hold a roll call vote for Chair with the two nominees being Commissioner Phillips and Commissioner Jivan and the nominee receiving a majority of votes winning.

Ayes: Cassidy, Bell, Jacquelin, Marasovic, Fink, Mencher, Lee, Morizawa, Phillips

Noes: Taylor, McNeil, Park, Jivan, Mascarenhas-Swan

Abstain: None

Absent: Elias

Excused: None

Vote for Chair:

Cassidy - Phillips
Bell - Phillips
Jacquelin - Phillips
Marasovic - Phillips
Fink - Phillips
Mencher - Phillips
Taylor - Jivan
Lee - Phillips
Morizawa - Jivan
McNeil - Jivan
Park - Jivan
Jivan - Jivan
Phillips - Phillips
Mascaranhas-Swan - Jivan
Elias – Absent

Commissioner Phillips elected Chair.

VICE-CHAIR

Nominees:

- Chair Morizawa was nominated and accepted
- Commissioner Taylor was nominated and accepted, but then withdrew nomination
- Commissioner Cassidy was nominated and accepted
- Commissioner Park was nominated and accepted

M/S/C Jivan/Taylor to hold a roll call vote for Vice Chair with the three nominees being Commissioner Cassidy, Commissioner Park, and Chair Morizawa and the nominee receiving a majority of votes winning

Ayes: Cassidy, Bell, Jacquelin, Marasovic, Fink, Mencher, Lee, Morizawa, Phillips

Noes: Taylor, McNeil, Park, Jivan, Mascarenhas-Swan

Abstain: None

Absent: Elias

Excused: None

M/S/C Taylor/Phillips to proceed to the vote

Ayes: Cassidy, Bell, Jacquelin, Marasovic, Fink, Mencher, Lee, Morizawa, Phillips

Noes: Taylor, McNeil, Park, Jivan, Mascarenhas-Swan

Abstain: None

Absent: Elias

Excused: None

Vote for Vice Chair:

Cassidy - Cassidy

Bell - Abstain

Jacquelin - Morizawa

Marasovic - Morizawa

Fink - Cassidy

Mencher - Cassidy

Lee - Cassidy

Morizawa - Morizawa

Phillips - Park

Taylor - Park

McNeil - Park

Park - Park

Jivan - Park

Mascaranhas-Swan - Park

Elias - Absent

Commissioner Park is elected Vice Chair.

Recess: 8:57 - 9:05

5. Resolution to Mount Progress Flag in School Board Meeting Room

Discussion, no action taken. Item will be continued to the next meeting.

6. Discussion and Possible Action for the Peace and Justice Work Plan.

M/S/C Taylor/Phillips to approve the workplan without removing marginalized populations targeted by the Trump administration, to include three subcommittees to focus on immigration, racial justice, and LGBTQI issues, and to collaborate with other commissions on issues of shared interest.

Ayes: Cassidy, Bell, Jacquelin, Marasovic, Fink. Mencher, Lee, Morizawa, Phillips

Noes: Taylor, McNeil, Park, Jivan, Mascarenhas-Swan

Abstain: None

Absent: Elias

Excused: None

SECTION C. COMMUNICATIONS

7. No communications received prior to meeting.

SECTION D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 PM (by consensus).

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter Radu, Acting Secretary
Peace and Justice Commission