



Richland County Council
Rules and Appointment Committee
MINUTES
December 13, 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: Allison Terracio, Kyle Holsclaw, Michelle Onley, Tamar Black, Justin Landy, Anette Kirylo, Ashiya Myers, Chelsea Bennett, Patrick Wright, and Angela Weathersby

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

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. December 6, 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. Anette Kirylo, Clerk to Council, noted, for the record, Ms. Kate Lang and Ms. Bonnie Austin withdrew their applications. In addition, we request to add Ms. Maria Calloway and change the number of vacancies from six (6) to ten (10).

Mr. Malinowski inquired if changing the number of vacancies would change the number of appointments for specific backgrounds.

Ms. Kirylo stated one of the vacancies is for the SC Department of Employment and Workforce. The SC Department of Employment and Workforce selects and recommends the applicant for this vacancy. The breakdown for the remaining vacancies will be four (4) from the private sector, three (3) for education (Adult Education, Literacy, and Midlands Technical College), and one (1) apprenticeship.

Mr. Malinowski inquired where the SC Department of Employment and Workforce came into play.

Ms. Kirylo responded we are appointing someone from the SC Department of Employment and Workforce to the Midlands Workforce and Development Board.

Mr. Malinowski inquired why we were interviewing this person instead of simply appointing them to the committee.

Mr. Patrick Wright, County Attorney, stated that the SC Department of Employment and Workforce position is one that Council appoints. Council has the ability not to accept the department's recommendation and request they make a new one.

Ms. Mackey inquired if the applicants that withdrew could not make today's interviews or if they wanted to withdraw from consideration.

Ms. Kirylo responded they are withdrawing from consideration.

Mr. Malinowski moved to adopt the agenda as amended, seconded by Ms. Mackey.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Malinowski requested legal advice regarding the Midlands Workforce Development Board terms.

Mr. Malinowski moved to reconsider the agenda, seconded by Ms. Barron.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor of reconsideration was unanimous.

Mr. Malinowski moved to add the receipt of legal advice regarding the Midlands Workforce Development Board terms, seconded by Ms. Barron.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

4. **INTERVIEWS** – Ms. Mackey moved to go into Executive Session to conduct interviews for the Midland Workforce Development Board, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The committee entered Executive Session at approximately 3:14 PM and exited at approximately 4:56 PM.

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

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

- a. Midlands Workforce Development Board – Ten (10) Vacancies (ONE applicant must have a background in Apprenticeship, THREE applicants must have a background in Education [ONE Midlands Technical College, ONE Adult Education, and ONE Literacy], FIVE applicants must be from the Private Sector, and ONE applicant must be nominated and approved by the SC Department of Employment & Workforce) – Ms. Rosalind Harps, Ms. Brittany Singleton, Ms. Melissa Drake, Mr. Deanta Reese, Ms. Carol A. Moore, Mr. Julius Weathers, Mr. Tim Miller, Ms. Amy Scully, Ms. Maria Calloway, and Mr. J. Michael Harpe were interviewed for the Midlands Workforce Development Board.

5. APPOINTMENTS

- a. Midlands Workforce Development Board – Ten (10) Vacancies (ONE applicant must have a background in Apprenticeship, THREE applicants must have a background in Education [ONE Midlands Technical College, ONE Adult Education, and ONE Literacy], FIVE applicants must be from the Private Sector, and ONE applicant must be nominated and approved by the SC Department of Employment & Workforce) – Ms. Barron noted several of the applicants did not appear for their interviews. She inquired how the committee desired to move forward with appointments to the board.

Ms. Mackey responded, based on the interviews conducted, she would like to move forward with appointments for some of the vacancies. She would be open to holding interviews in February for those applicants who could not make today's interviews.

Mr. Malinowski stated, for the record, that he finds it rude to the individuals in the Clerk's Office and the committee, especially for the incumbents, to not show up for an interview or call to inform staff they are unable to make it.

Ms. Mackey moved to appoint Ms. Rosalind Harps (SC Department of Employment & Workforce), Ms. Brittany Singleton (Education-Literacy), Ms. Maria Calloway (Private Sector), and re-appoint Mr. Tim Miller (Private Sector-Apprenticeship) and Ms. Amy Scully (Education-Midlands Technical College), seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Malinowski moved to appoint Mr. J. Michael Harpe (Education-Adult Education), seconded by Ms. Barron.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Malinowski moved, at the February 7, 2023, Rules meeting, to begin discussions regarding the codification of the Midlands Workforce Development Board terms, seconded by Ms. Barron.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – Ms. Barron noted this is Mr. Malinowski's last Rules and Appointments meeting. She thanked him for his service on the committee.

6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- a. Boards, Commissions, and Committee Advertisement Schedule – No action was taken.
- b. Applications Currently on File – No action was taken.
- c. Quarterly Attendance Reports – No action was taken.
1. Airport Commission
 2. Conservation Commission
 3. Planning Commission
 4. Richland Library Board

5. Richland Memorial Hospital Board
6. Riverbanks Park Commission
7. Transportation Penny Advisory Committee

7. **ADJOURNMENT** - Ms. Mackey moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Malinowski.

In Favor: Malinowski, Barron, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:07 PM.