

EQUAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

December 1, 2015

<i>AGENDA ITEM</i>	<i>DISCUSSION</i>	<i>ACTION</i>
	Richard Hackney called the meeting to order. <i>Note: No votes were taken at this meeting due to lack of a quorum.</i>	Meeting called to order at 9:20 a.m.
Election of Officers: EBOC Chair & Vice-Chair for 2016	Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Commission will involve a one-year commitment. There is a limit of three consecutive terms. Current Chair, Richard Hackney, has completed three years as Chair. Angela Cash has completed three years as Vice-Chair. Angela Cash was nominated for Chairperson or Vice-Chair. Nancy Briguglio was nominated for Vice-Chair. Constance Tucker suggested that the commission may schedule a special meeting to obtain the votes on the nominees once they accept the nominations. Mahesh will contact these two commissioners to check if they approve being on the ballot and accordingly schedule a conference call meeting for voting.	
Minutes: October 6, 2015	No votes were taken at this meeting due to lack of a quorum.	
Certifications: October 6, 2015 through December 1, 2015	No votes were taken at this meeting due to lack of a quorum.	
Local Business Initiative	Mahesh informed the commissioners of the new Local Business Initiative. The County Executive signed an executive order in November establishing the Howard County Local Business Initiative. The order creates a process through which the Office of Purchasing will certify that businesses are local companies that maintain their principal place of business in Howard County. The initiative also encourages county departments and agencies to spend procurement dollars to support those local businesses whenever possible. Richard Hackney asked how this initiative will fit in with the Minority Business Program. The Local Business Initiative Program is an independent program and will not tie in with the Minority Business Program.	
Adjournment of Meeting by Chairperson at 9:36 am	A date for the special conference call meeting to be scheduled once a ballot is ready. Next regular EBOC Meeting scheduled for February 2, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. Dates for 2016 meetings will be sent.	

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EBOC MEMBER ATTENDEES:

1. Richard Hackney
2. Roger Barnes
3. Knowlton Atterbeary
4. Margaret Kim (conference call)
5. Nancy Briguglio (conference call)

ABSENT:

1. Tajuddin Sabree
2. Angela Cash
3. Nathaniel Alston
4. Shahan Rizvi
5. Barry Curtis

NON-MEMBER ATTENDEES:

1. Mahesh Sabnani
2. Constance Tucker
3. Darla Herbold
4. Robin Fewell

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