

Seattle Human Rights Commission
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 7th, 2016, 6:00–8:00 p.m.
City Hall - Boards and Commissions Room

Commissioners Present: Margaret Babayan, Danielle Wallace, Edlira Kuka, Sarah Bishop, Ashley Miller, Jason Poydras, Fekadu Shibushi, Marcel Baugh

Commissioners by Phone: None

Commissioners Absent: Lara Diakonu, Amy Huang, Jeremy Wood,

SOCR Staff Present: Mike Chin

Guests and Visitors: Ed Crouch, observer; Matt Weiner, observer.

Welcome and Introductions

Call to Order: The meeting is called to order by Danielle Wallace

Public Comment: Ed Crouch and Matt Weiner with Occupation Free Seattle speaking in support of divestment from companies that profit from the Israeli occupation.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for March approved with edits

- Motion to approve by Margaret, seconded by Jason

SOCR Report

- RSJI summit was last week, with people from departments across the city coming together
- Zero Detention Policy: They are working on addressing the zero detention goal, SOCR has a new staff person who is working with the community on this issue.
- Mike Chin will be working with Marta Idowu for the next couple months as Brenda Anibarro is out on parental leave.
- Enforcement: They received about \$150,000 for employment and housing testing. They plan the tests to begin in the summer, and have hired consultants to organize and analyze the tests. Hope to be more proactive in public housing and employment discrimination.
- Last year, SOCR did fair housing testing that they'll release in April.