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Mayor's Office of Equity, Diversity & Inclusion
LGBTQ Affairs

Mayor's LGBTQ Advisory Board
City of Atlanta, Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms
Meeting Agenda

Friday, December 13th, 2019
11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Atlanta City Hall
City of Atlanta Law Department
Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms Conference Room
55 Trinity Avenue SW, Atlanta, GA 30303

The LGBTQ Advisory Board to Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms is composed of citywide LGBTQ leaders and advocates. The 33-member body makes recommendations to the Mayor that help shape the City's policies and engagements with Atlanta's LGBTQ communities.

Mission:

The Mayor's LGBTQ Advisory Board fosters intentional collaboration between City Hall and Atlanta's LGBTQ+ communities to advocate for everyone across the Atlanta metro region, in order to protect and advance the lives of residents, workers, and visitors.

Vision:

An equitable, inclusive, and thriving Atlanta for everyone, regardless of race, gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation.

Attendees, City of Atlanta:

Carmen Chubb, Chief of Staff, Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms
Rashad Taylor, Senior Advisor To The Mayor
Terri Lee, Chief Housing Officer
Philip Gillman, Deputy Chief of Staff, Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms
Megan Sparks, One Atlanta
Malik Brown, LGBTQ Affairs Coordinator
Dr. Angelica Geter Ferguson, Chief Health Officer
Javier Brown, Intergovernmental Affairs

Attendees, Mayor's LGBTQ Advisory Board:

Bishop OC Allen, Founder & Pastor, Vision Church of Atlanta

Kia Barnes, Community Organizer

Gabrielle Claiborne, Co-Founder, Transformation Journeys Worldwide

Paul Conroy, Founder, Out Front Theatre

Lisa Cunningham, CEO, Atlanta Film Partners

Jamie Ferguson, Executive Director, Atlanta Pride

Matthew Garrett, Board of Directors, Human Rights Campaign

Jeff Graham, Executive Director, Georgia Equality

Roshelle Darlene Hudson, MSW, Co-Founder, Annual Rustin/Lorde Breakfast

Pat Hussain, Original Co-Director, Southerners on New Ground (Song)

Rabbi Joshua Lesser, Founder, Southern Jewish Resource Network (SOJOURN)

Ivette Lopez, Board of Directors, Latino LinQ

Chris Lugo, Executive Director, Atlanta Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce

Joshua McNair, Community Activist

Sandy Mollett, Founder & CEO, Equal Footing LLC

Daniel Newman, Actor

Rev. Dr. Joshua M. Noblitt, Saint Mark United Methodist Church

Matt Parkey, Chairman of the Board, AID Atlanta

Philip Rafshoon, Former Owner, OutWrite Book Store & Coffeehouse

Kirk Rich, Principal, Avison Young

Ryan Roemerman, Founding Executive Director, LGBTQ Institute

Jonathan Russell, Director of Development, Discovery Programs, Emory Woodruff Health Sciences Center

Brigid Scarbrough, National Board of Governors, Human Rights Campaign

Melissa Scott, Owner, Soul Bar at Pals Lounge, Pure Heat Foundation

Rickie Smith, President, In the Life Atlanta

Pam Stewart, Board of Directors, GLAAD

Feroza Syed, Trans Activist

Alex Wan, Former Atlanta City Council Member, District 6

Craig Washington, Co-Founder, Southern Unity Movement/Rustin Lorde Breakfast

Agenda:

- I. **Welcome Remarks & Kickoff, Kirk Rich & Pam Stewart, Mayor's LGBTQ Advisory Board Co-Chairs (10 Minutes)**
 - a. Kirk Rich is leaving the Mayor's LGBTQ Advisory Board, effective immediately, to serve on the Board of Directors for the Atlanta Housing Authority.
 - b. Ryan Roerman will assume the role of Co-Chair of the Mayor's LGBTQ Advisory Board, effective immediately.
 - c. Jonathan Russell has been appointed, effective immediately, as the Interim Co-Chair of the LGBTQ Health Working Group
 - d. Malik to send a survey to members of the Mayor's LGBTQ Advisory Board to get a comprehensive list of skills on the board.
 - e. The below members can help with grant writing
 1. Jamie Fergerson
 2. Jeff Graham
 3. Ryan Roerman
 4. Jonathan Russell
 - f. **Pam and Kirk are sponsoring a January social gathering for the LGBTQ Advisory Board at Out Front Theatre Company.**
 - i. Kirk will sponsor tickets for board members
 - ii. Pam will sponsor food and drink
 - g. ***Rustin Lorde Breakfast***
 - h. ***MLK March***
- II. **Remarks, Carmen Chubb, Chief of Staff, Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms (5 Minutes)**
 - a. On behalf of the Mayor and City of Atlanta, Carmen thanked the members of the Mayor's LGBTQ Advisory Board for their service and hard work in 2019.

III. Relevant Updates from City of Atlanta Staff (10 Minutes):

Malik Brown, LGBTQ Affairs Coordinator

- LGBTQ Annual Report
 - i. The City of Atlanta is finalizing the LGBTQ Annual report and looking to release in January.
- LGBTQ Youth Mentoring
 - i. The City of Atlanta is working to finalize a partnership with an organization around LGBTQ youth mentoring. Formal announcement coming soon.
 - ii. Will partner with the LGBTQ Youth Working Group
 - iii. Will need support finding mentors
- LGBTQ Resource Website Updates (ATLGBTQ.atlantaga.gov)
 - i. The LGBTQ Resource website has been updated to accept recommendations on new resources, and now houses Mayor's LGBTQ Advisory Board meeting agendas and meeting minutes.
- LGBTQ Opportunity Fair
- Youth Bullying Legislation

Dr. Angelica Geter Furgerson, Chief Health Officer

- i. Dr. Angelica Geter Furgerson is a fifteen-year health expert with experience working at the federal, state, and local levels. Her research and program experience have focused on HIV/AIDS and public health services as well as equity and health disparities in the Southern United States. She is a former Research Fellow of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, has published more than 25 articles and presented at numerous national and international scientific meetings. She holds a DrPH in Health Behavior with a minor in Biostatistics from the University of Kentucky, and MPH in Behavioral Sciences and Health Education from Emory University. Dr. Furgerson is an alumna of the Health Policy Leadership Fellowship of the Satcher Health Leadership Institute of Morehouse School of Medicine.

The Chief Health Officer will focus on combating the leading causes of illness and disability in Atlanta, improving health literacy rates, and assessing emerging health needs to improve community health. A primary goal of the position will be to build coalitions across the city to reduce new HIV transmissions, asthma rates, diabetes, and other chronic illnesses affecting the Atlanta community.

The Chief Health Officer will also actively play an integral role in community engagement efforts. Dr. Furgerson will advise the Mayor and serve as the bridge between key stakeholders including Fulton and DeKalb counties (which are tasked with public health by state law), local hospitals, and other community health organizations to ensure coordination and consistency across overlapping areas of service. The Chief Health Officer will also identify priorities for action and direct municipal activities and investment with the goal of improving the long-term health outcomes of Atlanta residents.

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ii. Partnership Opportunities

IV. Public Comment (10 Minutes)

V. Adjournment