

MINUTES
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
SUB-COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS
MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2010
3:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Chair: Burton. Members: Myers, Nonna, Jenkins. Staff: Vita.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Legislator Alfreda Williams-District 8; Cheryl Archbald, Kerry Oristano.

Chairman Burton called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS:

ACTING COMMISSIONER-DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH:

Cheryl Archbald, MD, MPH: Is a resident of New Rochelle, and has been appointed by the County Executive to serve as the Acting Commissioner of the Department of Health for a term to commence immediately and to expire upon the appointment of a duly qualified Commissioner of Health.

Ms. Archbald has been serving in the Department of Health as Deputy Commissioner in the Division of Community Health since September 2004. She has practiced in Pediatrics, Child Development and Foster Care and served as Interim Medical Director at the Children's Aid Society, where she received the 2004 Distinguished Woman Award.

Ms. Myers mentioned that the Board of Health met the other day and unanimously approved the appointment of Dr. Archbald. The membership asked about changes and cuts within the department and Dr. Archbald said there are several vacancies at the present time, only 1 position will be filled and that is the 2nd Assistant Commissioner; the 1st Deputy Commissioner positions will not be filled and the 2nd DC is adequately covered by both the Acting Commissioner (her position) and the 2nd Deputy of Administrative Nursing Services.

The members were impressed with her background and knowledge in the health field and feels she will do well in her position as Acting Commissioner.

The appointment is hereby approved on the motion of Legislator Myers, seconded by Legislator Nonna. All in favor none opposed. Motion carried 4-0.

Submitted by: Emilia Vita
Approved: 4/19/10

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COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN RESOURCES:

Kerry M. Oristano: Is a resident of Scarsdale, and has been appointed by the County Executive to serve as the Commissioner of Human Resources, effective February 1, 2010, for a term to expire January 31, 2016. Prior to her appointment, Ms. Oristano was employed by the City of White Plains as the Deputy Personnel Officer, where she administered human resource functions covering such areas as civil service administration, policies and procedures, performance management, employee/labor relations and overall legal compliance.

Ms. Oristano said she was up for a new challenge and looks forward to working on a broader perspective of human resource functions. Prior to the City's job, she was a self-employed attorney representing clients in employment matters pertaining to ADA, FMLA, disability and leave issues and counseled clients on performance, termination and EEO issues.

The members were impressed with her background and knowledge in the human resource field and wished her well as the new Commissioner.

The appointment is hereby approved on the motion of Legislator Nonna, seconded by Legislator Myers. All in favor none opposed. Motion carried 4-0.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.