



**\*\*Press Release \*\***

***Second Quarter Business Meeting***

***February 22, 2024 | 11:00 am – 12:00 pm eastern time***

The **Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys** (CSSBMB) will hold a virtual meeting to introduce new commissioners, discuss upcoming events, and published works. This meeting is open to the public.

**DATE:**

Thursday, February 22, 2024

**LOCATION:**

The meeting will take place virtually and will be [live-streamed](#) on CSSBMB's parent agency, *U.S. Commission on Civil Rights' (USCCR)*, official YouTube channel ([www.youtube.com/usccr](http://www.youtube.com/usccr)).

**AGENDA:**

- I. Welcome and Call to Order..... (11:00 am- 11:03 am)**
- II. Business Meeting (order of business)..... (11:03 am- 11:06 am)**
  - a. Quorum: .....(11:06 am – 11:09 am)**
  - b. Adoption of Agenda.....(11:09 am- 11:12 am)**
  - c. New Order of Business.....(11:12 am- 11:50 am)**
    - i. Approval of Minutes
    - ii. Chair's Report
      - a. Vision and Goals
      - b. State of the Commission
      - c. Introduction of New Commissioners
        - a. Joesph Palm of HHS
        - b. Commission Rules
      - d. Upcoming Highlighted Events
        - a. White House Visit (February)
        - b. Ribbon Cutting (May)
        - c. Crime Prevention (April)
        - d. In-Person Business Mtg (May)
        - e. Caucus on the Commission – Upcoming Events
        - f. Second Annual Act Now Summit (July)
        - g. Fatherhood and Father's Day (June)
      - e. Tentative FY Business Meeting Proposed Dates
        - i. May 21, 2024
        - ii. August 20, 2024
  - iii. Director's Report**

- a. Update Profile Information
- b. Proposed/Current Initiatives
  - i. Finalizing Annual Report
  - ii. Social Media Campaign – Black History Month
  - iii. New Commissioner Press Release
  - iv. Website Creation
  - v. 2024 Planning
  - vi. Education White Paper
  - vii. Summit and Briefing
- iv. Open Discussion

**III. Chair Comments/ Adjourn Meeting.....(11:50 am- 12:00 pm)**

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**ABOUT THE COMMISSION:**

CSSBMB is a 19-member, bipartisan commission whose mission is to:

- Conduct a systematic study of the conditions affecting Black men and boys, including homicide rates, arrest and incarceration rates, poverty, violence, fatherhood, mentorship, drug abuse, death rates, disparate income and wealth levels, school performance at all grade levels, including postsecondary education and college, and health issues.
- Examine trends regarding Black males and report on the community impacts of relevant government programs within the scope such topics.
- Propose measures to alleviate and remedy the underlying causes of the conditions described in the statute, which may include recommendations of changes to the law, recommendations for how to implement related policies, and recommendations for how to create, develop, or improve upon government programs.

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