

**Memorandum
Mayor's Office**



To: Rock Island City Council
From: Mayor Mike Thoms
Subject: Reappointment, Appointments, and Term Amendments
for Martin Luther King J. Center Board and Police Community Relations
Commission Appointment
Date: January 13, 2023

Martin Luther King Jr. Center Board – The term is for three years, expiring January 2026.

Reappointment of Kayla Babers – Ms. Babers has served on the MLK Board since 2019 and would like to continue to serve.

Reappointment of Aimee Bland – Ms. Bland has served on the MLK Board since 2019 and would like to continue to serve.

Appointment of Tameka Toney – Ms. Toney serves as the Accounting Specialist for the Quad City Community Foundation and is a Principal for TLT Accounting LLC. Her volunteer service currently includes QC Chamber's Black Business Council, Ascentra Credit Union Board of Directors and as a mentor for Quad Cities Women in Action.

Appointment of Kai Swanson – Mr. Swanson is a Rock Island resident currently employed as the Special Assistant to the President of Augustana College and is a member of the Rock Island County Board. His volunteer service includes being past President of the Quad City Visitor's Bureau, board member and past Chair of the National Association of Presidential Assistants in Higher Education, Board Professionals Leadership Group of the Association of Governing Boards, and Host of the QC Symphony Orchestra.

Amend terms as follows to balance board member terms.

Moses Robinson to a term to end January 2024.

Linda Barnes to a term to end January 2024.

Police Community Relations Commission –The term is for three years, expiring September 2025.

Appointment of Isabel Pena – Ms. Pena is an Office Assistant in the Public Works department and has been a member of the Rock Island community for 45 years. She is Spanish-speaking and has extensive experience in customer service. She is currently the Union recording secretary for AFSCME and previously volunteered with Viva Quad Cities. Ms. Pena is seeking the opportunity to be more involved in the community and relationships with government entities.

Recommendation: Recommend the reappointment, appointments, and term amendments as recommended.

Submitted by: Mike Thoms, Mayor

Approved by: Mike Thoms, Mayor