

Reparations Task Force Meeting Thursday, August 3, 2023, at 6 p.m.

Zoom link:

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POST AGENDA MINUTES – RATIFIED

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A QUORUM WAS PRESENT

Members Present: Karcheik Sims-Alvarado, Marcus Coleman, Rodney Littles, Michael Simanga, Mike Russell, Donte' Thompson, Amanda Meng

Staff Present: Jasmine Campbell, Fran Calhoun, Denval Stewart

Meeting Opening:

Adoption of August 3, 2023, Meeting Agenda

• Motion by Chair Sims-Alvarado to adopt the agenda with the removal of "Press Releases" and "Request from Media Outlets" from the Office of External Affairs discussion. Motion is seconded by Mr. Littles. Motion passes.

Approval of Minutes

• Motion by Vice Chair Coleman to approve the meeting minutes from June 1, 2023, June 15, 2023 and July 20, 2023. Motion is seconded by Mr. Littles. Motion passes.

Old Business

- Status Report: Finalizing Contract with AUCC
 - o Attorney Stewart Update:
 - law and purchasing are in conversation with BoC members to make sure the contract includes their revisions
 - Attorney Stewart will send a draft to the Task Force. Rodney Littles will review.
- Communications
 - o Office of External Affairs: Communications

- Update: Copy of Letter to Georgia Gang letter was sent to the task force on July 20th
- Voting: Bylaws Amendments
 - o Public Comments Rules
 - Task Force conducts live revisions to the public comments bylaws based on task force member discussion and recommendations from Fulton County
 - Mr. Littles motions to adopt public comment bylaw. Motion is seconded by Mr. Russell. Motion Passes.
 - o Media Relations
 - Task Force conducts live revisions to the public comments bylaws based on task force member discussion and recommendations from Fulton County
 - Motion by Mr. Littles to adopt media relations. Motion is seconded by Mr. Russell. Motion does not pass with 2/3 majority.

New Business

- Voting: Secretary
 - o Vice Chair Coleman motions to appoint Dr. Meng as Secretary. Motion is seconded by Mr. Littles. Motion passes.
- Research Design Committee
 - o Chair Sims-Alvarado describes the responsibilities of a research design committee:
 - Oversight by Taskforce
 - Creating structure and topics, and timeline for study
 - Identify the type of researchers needed for study
 - Writing job descriptions and posting of positions
 - Three committee members (1 rotating)
 - Volunteers to serve on Research Design Committee:
 - Chair Sims-Alvarado, Vice Chair Coleman, Dr. Simanga, Dr. Meng
- Bylaws Amendment Discussion: Financial Oversight Officer
 - O Chair Sims-Alvarado would like to appoint a financial oversight officer to liaison between the task force and the fiduciary agent, the AUCC. Mr. Littles volunteers and will serve. (no need to amend bylaws)
- Creation of Frequently Asked Ouestions Document
 - o Dr. Meng will begin a draft of the FAQs

Meeting Ending

- Mr. Russell offers to host the task force for a social gathering.
 - Mr. Littles asks if any requirements are violated if we are not conducting official business
 - Attorney Stewart and Ms. Calhoun advise that if there is no official business conducted at a social gathering, there are no open meetings act requirements

Public Comments

• Opened at 7:57 - comments attached.

Adjourn

• Meeting is adjourned at 7:59

how or where will public see written comments?

Fulton County Reparations Task Force Public Comment Rules Final Version - Adopted

- 1. Citizens are allowed to voice Fulton County Reparations Task Force related opinions, concerns, requests, etc. during the Public Comment portion of the task force meeting.
- 30-minute time limit (unless a vote is taken by the entire Task Force to extend) for public comments at regular meetings and 1 hour (unless a vote is taken by the entire Task Force to extend) for the two public town halls when progress is being reported from deliverables met.
- 3. Grant up to two minutes for each speaker during public comments.
- 4. Public comments would be before the start of a regular meeting or when designated at the two public forums when reports are being presented.
- 5. Must sign up to speak 15 minutes before the public comment period starts.
 - To sign up in person, each participant must obtain a speaker's card and fill out the card and return it to a designated county employee prior to the beginning of the meeting.
 - County staff shall check the residency of each public speaker prior to such person being heard by the Task Force.
 - Priority for public comment will be given to Fulton County citizens and those
 individuals representing businesses or organizations located within Fulton
 County, including their employees, whether such persons are commenting
 in-person, via emails or via Zoom chat or other electronic media (i.e., phone call).
 - Non-Fulton County citizens will only be heard after all in-person Fulton County citizens, representatives of business and organizations located within Fulton County, including their employees, have been heard and the time allotted for public comments have not expired, except as otherwise provided in this code section.
 - Members of the public will not be allowed to yield or donate time to other speakers.
 - In the event the 30-minute time limit is reached prior to public comments being completed, public comment will be suspended.
 - To sign up virtually, a question or comment can be posted in the zoom chat
- 6. Written statements submitted will be approved to be included in the records of the Task Force.
- 7. Cell Phones are to be silenced during the meeting.
- 8. Signs, placards, megaphones, and other sound devices are not allowed.
- 9. Speakers are required to refrain from abusive, profane or derogatory language. Violators will be escorted from the meeting.