



Reparations Taskforce Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2023 - 6 pm

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****A QUORUM WAS PRESENT****

Members Present: Karcheik Sims-Alvarado, Marcus Coleman, Rodney Littles, Mike Russell, Amanda Meng

Staff Present: Jasmine Campbell, Fran Calhoun

Meeting Opening:

- Adoption of June 1, 2023 Agenda. Motioned by Mr. Littles, Seconded by Vice Chair Coleman.
- Approval of May 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes. Motioned by Mr. Littles, Seconded by Vice Chair Coleman.

Old Business

- Status of Scope of Work Agreement
 - Ms. Calhoun response:
 - No update from procurement. Once procurement does sign off it would go to the county attorney's office to sign off and they will send it to the board and county manager.
 - May not be in time for the June 7th BoC meeting.

- Once the BoC approves, the contract will be executed and purchasing department would reach out to the AUCC to sign off on the agreement to full execute.
- County works on a 21-day payment cycle

New Business

- Committee to Draft Framework for Study
 - Chair Sims-Alvarado: The end of year report provides the focus areas for the scope of work. Want to form a committee and see who is interested in working on drafting the framework for the study. Chair explains what the framework will be --- an outline of how the study will be performed to investigate each focus area from the end of year report
 - Mr. Littles volunteers to be a part of the committee
 - Vice Chair Coleman asks why everyone is not serving on the committee and why does there need to be a committee if everyone serves on it. It is important that everyone provide input
 - Chair explains some people may feel more comfortable using their skillsets on different activities of the task force. Some may be better at public town hall, some may be more comfortable with research
 - The draft will come back to the full task force for input and comment
 - Task Force members interested in being on the committee: Mr. Littles, Dr. Simanga, Dr. Meng.
- Draft of Timeline to Perform Study
 - We will need the study to be completed in time for the task force to form recommendations for the BoC and to share with the public
 - Vice Chair Coleman notes that we are not the only county with a reparations task force, saying, Shelby County, Tennessee has approved 5 million dollars.

Meeting Ending

- Discussion of new appointee from Commissioner Hall. Waiting on individual to indicate that they will serve.
 - 5 vacancies left after this pending appointment.
- Chair Sims-Alvarado was asked to speak on a panel for reparations conference on June 15th.
 - Ms. Calhoun confirms that the Chair can speak on her own regard and share about the end of year report. County is simply asking that they be made aware of when these instances, speaking or interviews, happen.

Public Comments

- Included at end of minutes document

Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 7:02 PM

01:06:46 JM: Will the language in the proposals be Lineage Based Reparations

01:08:41 Sagittarius: Lineage based is referring to will the repair go specifically to Black American descendants of slavery and free persons of color specifically?

01:08:49 JM: There is no other Lineage within the Melanated Race that is eligible for Reparations by the United States due to Chattel Slavery.

01:09:51 Nadira speaks: Will you all push for an Anti Hate Crime Bill for black Americans in Fulton County?

01:11:29 Wendy Goff: What is the reparation event on 9:15?

01:11:49 JM: Are you all taking recommendations from the Public, or are you all only open to hearing from Legacy Organizations for recommendations?

01:12:06 Sagittarius: Who is hosting the conference?

01:12:07 Wendy Goff: No on Friday, at 9:15

01:13:55 JM: Aren't Reparations meant to address harms, don't you all believe that it's best to open up the conversation to put legislation in place to protect Black Americans

01:13:56 Sagittarius: That is a liberated ventures hosted event. The company that has been handing money to panafrican organizations

01:14:22 Wendy Goff: Who is the chair, can we have contact?

01:14:37 Sagittarius: You will be speaking at a panafrican conference. I would appreciate if you would speak for lineage based reparations

01:14:40 Amanda Meng: Here is another set of events organized by M4BL called Reparations June: <https://m4bl.org/reparations-june/>

01:14:43 Wendy Goff: Yes, your information

01:14:46 JM: Isn't Liberation Ventures a special interest group?

01:15:05 Sagittarius: Liberation ventures is who paid naarc, ncobra naasd and cjec

01:15:39 Mike Hunt: Can I get a tic tok dance

01:15:40 Wendy Goff: Yes, I want to know how to contact the chair

01:15:41 JM: Is this supposed to be in July?

01:15:43 Mike Hunt: Plz

01:15:56 Mike Hunt: Someone give me control of the screen

01:16:12 Mike Hunt: Can I share my story please