

# African American Cultural Resource Advisory Committee Minutes

May 25, 2023  
Williams Ivory AACRC  
10:30 AM

**Members Present:** Dawn Johnson, Sandra Oborokumo, Louveta Dicks, Monique Ramseur,

**Members Absent:** Angelo Geter, Monique Ramseur, Ann Williamson, George Garrison

**Staff Support:** PRT – Donna Smarr

- **Minutes:** Approved
- **Financial Report** – Account balance - \$14,857.53; Spendable Balance - \$8,319.71
- **Liaison Update:**
  - Lake Park Opened on May 4
  - Carroll Park Updates include: Basketball court resurface and ADA sidewalks installed.
  - Three renderings have been received for the new regional park on the southside. There will be community meetings held in July and August.
- **Local History Update**
  - Committee request for a survey to be done to determine the oldest African American citizen in Rock Hill.
- **Community Organization Update**
  - Juneteenth Schedule of Events
    - Kickoff – Friday, June 16 at 6 PM at Fountain Park
    - Freedom Celebration – Saturday, June 17 at 11 AM – 2 PM at Clinton College
    - Service – Sunday, June 18 at 11:15 AM – at Mt. Prospect Baptist Church
  - Race and Reconciliation
    - “Call to Action” event – May 25 at 6 PM at Emmett Scott Center
    - The committee partnered with Rock Hill PRT to offer a African American History Tour of Charleston October 10-11. Contact Donna Smarr with questions.
- **Greek Activity Updates**
  - The Omegas will be taking 15 boys to a camp at NC Central University
  - The Deltas are promoting the live action movie Little Mermaid. The movie features an African American Mermaid
- **Other Community Related Updates**



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- Clinton ConNextion is partnering with Habitat for Humanity on Place Making projects at Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen and Farmacy on June 16. Volunteers are needed. See flyer.
  - Bakita Arts: Professional photographer Terry Rouch is now located at the Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen where various art will be on display. The June 15 showcase will feature the work of Cecil Williams.
  - Joyce Morrow will be coming visiting Rock Hill in June and York County Arts Council has requested for the AACRAC to host an event at the Red House.
  - Community Healing Initiative: The committee is looking sponsorships for Systemic Racism trainings.
  - Jonathan Nazeer and Terry Rouch are partnering to create an art district on Crawford Road.
- **501c3 Process/Feasibility Study Updates**
    - **Williams-Ivory African American Cultural Center (Red House)**
      - The Committee will be working on a MOU on the usage of the Red House and the request of services from Rock Hill PRT.
      - The Committee will be looking at the usage of the AACRAC website and social media avenues.
      - The Committee is working on centralizing requests for tour of the African American history in Rock Hill to make sure correct information is given.



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