

African American Cultural Resource Advisory Committee

Minutes

March 23, 2023

Zoom

10:30 AM

Members Present: Dawn Johnson, Sandra Oborokumo, Louveta Dicks, Ann Williamson, George Garrison

Members Absent: Angelo Geter, Monique Ramseur

Staff Support: PRT – Donna Smarr

- **Minutes:** Approved
- **Financial Report** – Account balance - \$14,969.42; Spendable Balance - \$7,488.76
- **Liaison Update:**
 - Community feedback meetings are being held about the regional park that will be on the south side of Rock Hill. Construction is planned to begin 2024. The park will have a tourism component that is planned to have an economic impact in Southside Rock Hill.
 - PRT is working with Duke Energy to develop a park on the water. The park will be inside the city limits.
- **Clinton ConNextion Update:**
 - Jennifer McAdams, Director of Economic and Urban Development has resigned from her position as of March 28. Lisa Brown is interim director until the position is filled.
 - Clinton ConNextion will be presenting the Action Plan as a Life Long Learning class.
- **Feasibility Study**
 - Working on completing the study soon.
 - The committee plans to begin the using the Red House in September for cultural related events. The BELL Event will be the first event held to encourage community usage.
 - George Garrison is working on a lecture series.
- **Local History**
 - Ann Williamson will be working with the Chamber of Commerce on gathering local African American history.
 - The Committee will start looking at ways to store the history in one location.
- **501c3 Process**



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- The committee is researching options to set up a website and social media avenues. It was suggested to get interns from Clinton Jr. College and Winthrop University who are overseen by Angelo Geter to work on the projects.
- The Committee voted to use \$1,625 to build a website.
- **Freedom Walkway**
 - George Garrison proposed that Gladys Robinson be nominated for the Freedom Walkway. The link to the application will be emailed to committee members and put on the AACRAC Facebook page for the community to vote.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - Next Public Parks and Recreation Commission: April 4 6 pm, Glencairn Garden Learning Center
 - Next AACRAC Meeting Scheduled: April 27; 10:30 am via Zoom



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