

NAACP Howard County General Meeting Minutes

Date: September 27, 2018

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Wilde Lake Middle School Media Center, 10481 Cross Fox Lane Md. 21044

Introduction

President's Report

*County Executive Debate is next Wednesday October 3, 2018.

*Moderator will be Marc Steiner.

*Downtown Ellicott City and Columbia are major issues of economic development.

*Education Committee Breakfast is October 19, 2018.

*We are kicking off NAACP election process. All seats are up.

*You have to be a paid member before April 1st.

*Thank you to everyone for coming together. Thank you members at large and executive committee, "we jelled as a group."

*Turkey Bowl with the police is November 18, 2018.

* Stem Fair is in November. It gives us an opportunity to be involved with technology.

*January 19, 2019, is the MLK 5K race, volunteers needed.

*Would like to have the race at Glen Elg High school to counter negative energy at the end of the school year with positive energy. If not we'll go back to same place.

*Let us know about sponsorship ideas.

*Last year for the race we Spent \$7,000 on a tent last minute.

*Walked away with close to \$10,000 and this was a first time MLK 5k event.

*Youth Council to collaborate and take over the walk portion of the event.

*While at the convention we got a call about someone being harassed at the CVS.

*Because of direct access to chief and investigation units we were able to turn things around quickly.

* Horizon Foundation paid for the entire convention cost.

*programs surrounding Justice are being held in Howard County.

TREASURER'S REPORT

*\$14,105 in the bank

* Over \$1,000 coming in

*Accounts payable \$427.00

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- *There is a sign up sheet for updates about our meetings.
- *Doing Economic Development Committee Panel tonight.
- *Having a book reading event on October 13, 2018.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

- * If you're not at the table you'll be on the menu.
- *State of the Schools address is on the website.
- *Bright Minds Foundation Breakfast and Education Champion event will be October 19, 2018; covering issues including equity, inclusion, mental health.
- *There is a \$50,000,000 deficit in school system. Corrections are being made.
- *ACT-SO and Youth Council will be highlighted at the event.
- *Tonya Keenan is head of the library and is pushing Stem. She will be recognized.

ELDER EMPOWERMENT

- *Excellent forum on September 22, 2018, with Officer Lingham, HCPD; Delegate Terri Hill and others.
- *Great Job Team!

TECHNOLOGY TASK FORCE

- *Expect to have a technology report in late October.
- *Stem Festival is in November.
- *Need participants to be part of the task force
- *Artificial Intelligence, automation and learning machines affect the community.
- *Need policy applications we would promote relative to impact of technology on jobs for the community.

PRESIDENT

- *Acknowledge Hiruy for identifying we are antiquated in web technology.
- *Web access is huge. Some people join but don't come to meetings.

FREEDOM FUND

- *Helen Nixon is leaving to go to Fairfax.
- *Looking for members for the committee. This is our premiere fund raising event.

SECRETARY

- ***MOTION: Mark Brooks made a Motion to accept the July 26, 2018, minutes. The motion was seconded and the minutes accepted.**

Delegate Process

*State of Maryland has conference. 8 delegates and 8 alternates can go to the annual convention. All of the jurisdictions are in attendance.

*Delegates have voting power. Resolution committees are important.

*Board recommended Greg Lawrence, Stephanie Wall, Willie Flowers, Alicia Jones McCleod and Jennifer Jones to go to the Convention. All members were in favor none opposed.

***MOTION: Kim Flowers moved to accept Saif Rahmen and Erica Tillery as convention alternates. Stephanie Wall seconded the motion.**

ELECTIONS:

***The Board recommended that NAACP elections be held at Wilde Lake High School at 6:30pm on Thursday November 29, 2018, regardless of turnout. All members present were in favor none opposed.**

The Board recommended that elections be by paper ballot. All members present were in favor none opposed.

***The Board recommended that the number of members to be selected for the nominating committee be five (5), all members present were in favor none opposed.**

***The Board recommended that the number of at large members to be elected to the executive committee be 15, all members present were in favor and none opposed.**

*The Board recommended Charles Franklin as Nominating Committee Chair.

*Members Stephanie Wall, Kurt Wall, Greg Lawrence and Mark Brooks volunteered to serve on the Nominating Committee with Stephanie Wall as their Secretary.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded after which the Economic Committee gave a presentation.