Meeting Summary of the Harriet Tubman School Advisory Council  
February 14, 2019

The Harriet Tubman Advisory Council (HTSAC) held a meeting on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 6pm in the Harriet Tubman School Building. The following members were present:

Bessie Bordenave – Chair  
Herman Charity  
Everlene Cunningham  
Fred Dorsey  
Hannah Gorel  
James LeMon  
Howard Lyles  
Melvin Kelly  
Roberta Kelly  
Kristina McKirahan  
Dottie Moore  
Kori Jones  

Dr. Calvin Ball, County Executive  
Jennifer Jones, County Executive’s Office  
John Byrd, Department of Recreation and Parks  
Matt Madera, Department of Recreation and Parks  
Michael Kaminetz, Department of Public Works  
Lauren Myatt, Consultant  
Ryan Etter, Department of Recreation and Parks  

Chair Bessie Bordenave called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Approval of January 10th Minutes  
Motion to approve the January 10th minutes by Bessie Bordenave and seconded by Kori Jones. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items  
- County Executive Calvin Ball spoke about his vision for the facility and his support for the bond bill sponsored by Del Atterbeary.
- Because of permitting for sprinklers, the opening of the facility will be delayed.  
  o Takes 8-9 months to get the permits  
  o Del Turner suggested doing a groundbreaking for the Sept 21 celebration instead, if permitting not in place

- Upcoming Events  
  o February 23rd – Black History Celebration  
  o June 1st – Class of 55 to have luncheon for 40-45 people  
    ▪ Will use the cafeteria  
    ▪ No new chairs and tables would need to be purchased
• John Byrd discussed the protocol for use of space during renovation
  o Rec & Parks will be responsible for reservations
  o Matt Madera will oversee the facility
    ▪ Went over rental plan and rates for residents/non-residents; non-profits
    ▪ Resident - $100/hour
    ▪ There is a Rental Guide procedures and policy

• Lauren Myatt went over details and layouts of the building
  o Much discussion on whether to keep all the lockers in place.
    ▪ Most were in favor of keeping them
  o We don’t have enough parking – need 4 spaces/1000 sq ft. Building is 33,000 sq ft.
  o There is no site development plan on record

• Roberta Kelly shared draft letter of appreciation
  o All were in favor
  o Will be finalized for next meeting

• Del Turner shared some words of appreciation
  o Mar 4th – Deadline for testimony in Annapolis
  o Mar 9th – Bond hearings

Goals for Next Meeting
• Update on procurement of display exhibit cases
• Sponsorships
• African American oral history room
• Museum programming and displays

Adjournment
Bessie Bordenave moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Melvin Kelly and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:01pm.