

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

November 3, 2021

MINUTES

Diane Martin - Chair		STAFF PRESENT:
Tina Horn	Caroline Harper	Marla Moore
Tracey L. Williams	Hunter Craig	Wanda Cao
Bonnie Sorak	Brett David Vess	
Clarita Dawson	Kimberly McCauley	

Topic	Discussion	Action Items
October Meeting Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diane asked everyone about October Minutes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diane moves October Minutes be accepted. Hunter 2nd. Motion was carried.
Chair's Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diane and Vice President Kurt went to the office to recognize one of their own for serving as Secretary during last year. Marla brought up a photo of the past secretary, Tina Horn. Marla brought up photo of Yolanda Sonnier receiving 2 bouquets of flowers. Diane thanked everyone for their contributions. Diane asked if everyone approved Agenda as presented. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diane moves Agenda to be accepted. Caroline 2nd. Motion was carried.
Day of Service Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kim stated that they did meet as a subcommittee 2 weeks ago. As far as grocery stores go, she will call stores next week. The committee came up with a couple of other stores to add and Kim will see if they'll allow it there too. High school food collection and distribution, Hunter set the date for the program for 12/6/21 – 1/7/21. This is to provide flexibility for the high school conduct their individual drives. This will also give opportunity to have banner ready for the winter for MLK. Hunter spoke to Sierra yesterday and she was very interested in getting contacts and getting in touch with the contacts for the food drives. Hunter gave Sierra his past documents regarding the food drives. Hunter can confirm Glenelg HS will participate this year. Oakland Mills may join but not has confirmed yet. Kim stated that possible do both, hybrid. The ones we did last year have been confirmed by Bonnie and Tracey. Bert is going to get in touch with Hope Works. Chalise was going to get in touch with Busboys & Poets and ask possibility to partner with them as food drop off, kick off, or meet and greet location. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tracey stated the Program Committee met and are preparing to do a live program, but still going to have a hybrid program. Have performers and commissioners in the audience and will live stream the event. 	

<p>Program Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Getting youth involved. Will have them send us videos of their performances and we will make our selections by looking at their videos. • Still do not have confirmation on our guests for our keynote speaker but are definitely looking at having a keynote this time. • Smith theatre has been confirmed for the venue. • Hunter asked if there will be live audience regarding hybrid. Tracey stated may have a small audience but still figuring out to do it to keep numbers down. • Marla stated that Program Committee wanted student performers but need parent’s approval. 	
<p>Essay Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarita stated that the next step is to get the essays that have been turned in. She made paper posters and hand walked them to high schools to get it visualized. Hopefully we’ll get participation but does not know the numbers yet. • Marla stated it looks like we have 20 or so applications. There are still people that only sent the essay but are waiting for them to send the forms. • Marla stated need parent consent for any minors. • Marla stated 20 – 30 for Essay. • Marla stated about 5 for Poster. • Marla stated is 8 for Living the Dream. • Diane asked if a date has been set yet for when we will read the essays. Clarita stated Charlene would read them but does not have a date for each committee to have a winner for all the contests. Is there a date that we must have the results by? • Marla stated if we are ordering trophies, programs, we would have to back track that date. • Diane stated maybe we can get together November 12th? Clarita stated she can clear her schedule. • Clarita asked if there are any ways she can assist in helping the students get the forms back in faster? Marla stated she just sent the follow-up emails today so it may take some time. • Diane stated if we can get things in by November 15th, we would be able to order the trophies/plaques on time. 	
<p>Reception Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caroline stated there are no news, but still trying to figure out if it’ll be virtual, in person or hybrid. Also waiting on County to make a decision on in person, virtual or hybrid? • Marla stated that at least looking at Hybrid. She will reach out to Yolanda to see if we are looking at 40 or 50 people? Considering social distance and box meals. • Diane stated about 75 people at least. Clarita stated 100. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marla will find out how many people HCC will allow.
<p>Living the Dream Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No updates. 	

Logistics Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No updates.	
Poster Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brett stated they are planning to meet this week to review submissions because he couldn't get into the links to review them.• Had Howard High School that might help us review the posters but have to confirm that.	
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No new business.	
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diane thanked commissioners for their efforts and being present tonight.• Diane adjourned meeting at approximately 6:40 pm.	