

**REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
April 3, 2019**

Members Present:

Bert Hash	Namrata Nagarajan	Farheen Sheik	Helaine Jeffers
Kurt Wall			

Topic	Discussion	Action Items
The State of the Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting called to order at 6:43 PM • Meeting agenda approved and accepted with the following changes: • Modify “Committee Reports on with pluses and minus of event” to “Committee Reports” • Meeting minutes approved and accepted with the following changes: • Modify “Sarvanes” to “Sarbanes” 	
Program Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ideas to keep from event: high school representation, performing arts tributes • Changes for future event: consider an increase in high school participation and representation, have the program booklet include more information about Dr. MLK Jr.’s legacy and philosophy 	More commissioners are needed for the Program Committee
Essay Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report at the moment 	Committee chair needed for Essay Committee
Reception Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Caroline Harper not present, and thus nothing to report at the moment. 	
Publicity Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future publicity outlets: Volunteer Howard County, Office of Human Rights (social media) 	Committee chair needed for Publicity Committee
Living The Dream Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Yetta Rogerson not present, and thus nothing to report at the moment 	

<p>Logistics Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commission has previously decided that the county high schools are not the best fit for the event • There is increased consensus on utilizing Howard County Community College (HCC) as the venue • Farheen Sheik shall find out the budget for this year. It shall most likely be similar to last year (\$5000) • Farheen Sheik will also contact Janelle Broderick, Director of the Horowitz Visual and Performing Arts Center, regarding date availability tentative scheduling of the HCC venue 	
<p>Day Of Service Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The commission and committee has expressed interest in the following actions: Begin the process of reaching out to stores earlier, effectively facilitate food bank distribution, possibly ask stores to allow volunteers inside by addressing this in the letter sent out, conduct the food drive donation drives earlier • Possible future consideration: Conduct a food drive donation contest between the high schools, with a possible incentive for the winning high school 	
<p>New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unfinished business: surveys from the Program have not been found. Farheen Sheik shall reach out to Roberta Kelly regarding this. • Commissioners Bert Hash and Tracey Williams shall meet with Acting Administrator Janseen E. Evelyn regarding the future direction and vision of the commission 	<p>Press release regarding County Executive Ball seeking members for the Dr. MLK Jr. Holiday Commission has been released. The application deadline is Friday, May 3. Please refer possible candidates to the application.</p> <p>Acting Administrator Janseen E. Evelyn shall be invited to the Commission's meeting next month</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting adjourned at 7:13PM 	