

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Tribute

Committee

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting

Members	Present	Absent
Lilla Sutton, Co-chair	X	
Anita Wolley, Co-chair		X
Dr. Dottie Chicquelo		X
Barry Lenoir	X	
Brandi Slaughter		X
Staff and Others		
Kevin Blackerby, Staff Liaison	X	
Ryna Quinones, Staff	X	
Carleveva Thompson, Contract Secretary	X	

I. Call to Order

Ms. Sutton called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. A quorum was not present for the meeting.

II. Review and Approval of Agenda

The Committee reviewed the February 8, 2023, meeting agenda.

III. Review and Approval of Minutes

A quorum was not present to approve the meeting minutes.

IV. 2023 Event Recap

a. Updates

- Online Attendance - 54 attendees
- Advertising recap – the event was advertised since September in the Municipal Scene, Weekly Bulletin, the City’s social media accounts, and College Park’s Here and Now newspaper.

- Panel Discussion Feedback – the panel didn't address the theme in their discussions. The Committee discussed attracting panelists from University of Maryland as well as younger panelists.
- b. Books for kids – 68 books have been given away and there are books still available. The book giveaway will remain open for Black History month.
- c. Food Drive – received over 400 pounds of food in total.
 - i. Amazon Donation – Amazon donated 112 pounds of food for the food drive.
 - ii. Date/Time for delivery – Mr. Blackerby is coordinating a date and time with the College Park food bank for delivery and asked the Committee if they would like to join on delivery day for a photo opportunity. Mr. Blackerby will send the Committee a poll to select the best date and time for delivery.
 - iii. Essay/video/artwork – 1 essay and 1 video submissions were received. No artwork submissions were received. The single essay and single video submissions can be considered the winners; however, the essay submission is a student that lives in Greenbelt and is not a College Park resident. Mr. Blackerby will check if there a way to award the essay submitter since they are not a resident of the City.

V. Other Business

- a. Dr. Ticha has resigned from the Committee.
- b. Committee Vacancies – Currently have 3 vacancies.
- c. Thank you letter to Amazon – the Committee would like to thank Amazon for the food donation and send a thank you letter. Ms. Quinones will check to see if the Committee can send a letter to Amazon.

VI. Next Meeting – March 8, 2023, 6:00 PM

VII. Adjournment

Ms. Sutton adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.