



MLK Dream Team
Thursday, Nov. 16, 2018
Kennedy Library

Presiding: WaTasha Griffin, Chair

Members Present: Marilyn Carey, Becki Clock, Cornelius Dollison, Mary Dollison, Susan Fisher, WaTasha Griffin, Beth Messner, Ed McNeary, DiLynn Phelps, Kay Walker, Rhonda Ward, and Yvonne Thompson.

Guest: Dr. Ruby Cain

Meeting Called to Order at 8:12 am.

Moment of Silence: Members participated in a moment of silence.

Minutes: Marilyn moved and Becki seconded that the minutes from the Oct. 26, 2017 meeting be approved as amended. Motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda: Becki moved and DiLynn seconded that the meeting agenda be approved. Motion was approved unanimously.

Treasurer: Becki reported that total funds available are \$4728.52. Recent expenses were \$334.95. Recent income was \$91.00. Susan moved and Beth seconded that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Motion was unanimously approved.

Freedom Bus:

- Cardinal Communications: The fundraising event at Arby's on Oct. 19, 2017 earned generated \$353.86. We are very grateful to Arby's for hosting this event. Cardinal Communications also is hard at work collecting donations for the Silent Auction to be held on Feb. 3, 2018. They also are checking on potential event conflicts that we need to be mindful of when planning the April 2018 "Walk of Fame" installation and pledge walk at Heekin Park. Marilyn suggested they check with the Visitors Bureau, the City of Muncie, and DOWNTOWN for schedule conflicts.
- Freedom Bus Intern: Malary reported on the status of Activity Book for the Freedom Bus. She also passed around a draft of the contents. DiLynn volunteered to show a draft to several teachers for feedback before making final revisions. Copies will be printed before Nov. 31, 2017. Updates to the www.thefreedombus.org website also will be completed by mid December, 2017.
- Freedom Bus Operations Committee: Susan and Beth
 - Visits: The bus is scheduled to visit the MP3 program on Tues., Dec. 5 at Longfellow Elementary School. Visits currently are being scheduled for Jan. and Feb. We were invited to attend an event at Manchester University (50th anniversary of a speech given by Dr. King at the college), but there is concern that it is unsafe to make an out-of-town trip given repairs that are needed.
 - Fundraising: The grant proposal to Psi Iota Xi made it to 2nd round of review. Deb Heeter visited the Freedom Bus to help her prepare her presentation on our behalf. We should know by mid-December whether we will receive funding.

Black History Month: The BHM Kick-Off event is scheduled for Sat., Feb. 3, 2018 at Minnetrista. The theme is "Raising Your Voice." The Ethnic Theatre Alliance (Dept. of Theatre, BSU) will be performing during the program. Mayor James P. Carey Awards will be given to Dan and Lynne Stallings, Yvonne Thompson, and Susan Fisher

Food Drive: No report. Seth will report in December.

Walk of Fame: Ed, Marilyn and Susan met with Parks Dept. staff. All 3 plaques are finished and installed! Ed also announced that the committee is considering a future plaque for Dr. Smith, the first black member of Ball Memorial Hospital. Kay also shared information that her staff developed when researching Mrs. Agnes Nixon.

Voter Registration: No formal report at this time.

Day of Prayer: No report. Scheduled for Thurs., May 3, 2018.

Youth Citizenship Awards: Rhonda reported that the YCA event is scheduled for Sat., Jan. 13, 2018 (10 am) at Muncie Central High School. The event will include Ariana Anderson (Emcee), Akilah Nosakhere (Keynote speaker), and the Muncie Central Choir (Music). Beth and Susan will set up the MLKDT table.

Youth Essay Contest: No report.

Scholarship Committee: No report.

Announcements:

- Member Recruitment: Please reach out to members of your personal and professional communities to recruit additional members!
- 2018 Meetings: Will remain on 4th Thursday of each month at 8:00 am. Susan will reserve space at Kennedy Library and distribute a calendar.
- Congrats to Susan Fisher and DiLynn Phelps who were nominated for 2017 WIBU ATHENA Leadership Awards!
- MP3 Book Fair: Please visit the 2nd floor of Teacher's College (BSU) TODAY to examine and select/donate books for our local children!

Adjourned at 9:00ish am

Respectfully Submitted by,
Beth Messner, Secretary

Next Meeting: No meeting in December! Next meeting is Thursday, Jan. 25, 2018 at 8:00 am (Kennedy Library)