

Meeting called to order by LaSella H. at 7.03 pm

Notion to adopt the agenda made by Peggy, seconded by Burt

Minutes read by Emike O.

Motion to accept the minutes moved by Bruce – Passed.

- **E-board reports**

- National convention in July.
- Send out a resolution from the NB Branch
- First resolution: Support for African American history in education K-12.
 - Motion to agree to support the resolution as written made by Burt, seconded by Peggy
 - Motion passed.
- Second resolution: Inclusion of LGBTQ programs and sensitivity training in NAACP Branch trainings and programs to encourage inclusion.
 - Question by David: What will the nature/frequency of the training?
 - Answer by LaSella: Considering once a year training for everyone.
 - Motion made by Renee, seconded by Burt.
- Third resolution: Support for the NAACP NEXTGEN Program
 - Training people within the ages of 21-35 to encourage this group to be actively involved in the NAACP.
 - Although the national chapter is in full support, some branches are not as they feel like they should encourage their long standing members.
 - Motion to support resolution made by Marlene, seconded by Renee L.
 - Motion passed
- Fourth resolution: NAACP Condemnation of Islamophobia.
 - Call on government officials to cease Islamophobia and to speak out against Islamophobia.
 - Concern on where Mayor Mitchell and the city council stand on the said issue.
 - Is there an official statement on where they stand?
 - On a local level, if we agree on this resolution, the plan will be to write up a statement for the city council display and support.
 - Motion to accept resolution made Renee L., seconded by Bruce R.
 - Motion passed
 - Next plan of action is how to strategically get the Mayor and city council on board.
 - Marlene suggested a rally around the same issue
- Fifth resolution: The NAACP condemns the racist and divisive action of president Trump
 - Motion moved by Bruce, seconded by Burt
 - Motion passed
- NEAC's NE Civil rights hall of fame gala.
 - Move to purchase one ticket to the dinner at the cost of a \$100 by Bruce, Seconded by Peggy.
 - Motion passed

- Region II civil rights advocacy training institute
 - Taking place in New Jersey
 - Juan C. is pushing for Branches to send a representative.
 - Bruce pointed out that funds are tight at this time.
- Representative Cabral on the forfeiture issue regarding ICE
 - Pushing for accountability and stopping sheriffs from having forfeiture
 - ACLU and NAACP are in support.
- Commissioner Riley rejecting the 2019 English MCAS test due to the discriminatory practice.
 - Lawyers for civil right pushing to not count the test due to its discriminatory practices and question.

Committee Reports

- Freedom fund breakfast
 - Currently selling tickets
 - Scholarships going to NAACP youth members that apply
 - Big raffle prizes such as X-box, liquor basket, etc.
 - Theme: Vote like your life depends on it!
- City put out and RFP on the Philips avenue school
 - Crews construction, a minority owned firm, wanted to bid to work on the project.
 - A lot of opposition in the neighborhood as the residents were using the school parking lot for residential parking.
 - The building will collapse if not worked on.
 - Opposition led primarily by two property owners.
 - The city council committee on property did not approve on the project based on the opposition on people from the community. However, there was a greater amount of support for the project.
 - Two council members of color on the committee did not support the project.
 - Dana Rebero and Naomi Carney
- Move to continue to do the reciprocal ads with Cape Verdean recognition committees by Bruce, seconded by Peggy
 - Motion passed
- Motion to send a letter to Natures medicines in agreement to accept a gift by Bruce, seconded by Marlene
 - Motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 8.19 pm