

**COCONINO COUNTY
AFRICAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL
RETREAT MINUTES: January 11, 2020**

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION	FOLLOWUP
<p>Committee Officers [X] Breaunna Smith, Chair [X] Khara House, Vice Chair & Communications & Social Media Liaison</p> <p>Committee Members [X] Deb Harris, [X] Amber Jones [E] Laurel Matsuda [X] Dr. Tracye A. Moore [X] Melisa Tunley</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Also, Present: Susie Garretson</p>			
1) CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order at 9:17 am		
2) OPENING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	A. There was none.		
3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES	A. Discussion and possible action on approving the January 8, 2020 AAAC meeting minutes: Council member Moore moved to approve the January 11, AAAC meeting minutes and Council Member Harris seconded the motion. Corrections were made: Council Member Moore amended the first motion with the correction on page 3, #4C, "Melisa will see if a dance teacher can host an African American dance class at her studio for County Employees." Council member Harris seconded the motion and it passed.	Moore/Harris 6/0/0 Amended Moore/Harris 6/0/0 Approved	
4) NEW BUSINESS	A. 2020 Timeline: January <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retreat February – African American Heritage Month <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday, February 1, 7:00 pm at NAU: Keynote speaker, Michelle Martin, NPR's All Things Considered. At 5:30 there will be a "invitation only" reception hosted by Dr. Guthrie. • Saturday, February 29: Partner with SCA for the closing ceremony of African American Heritage Month - • County events: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Harriet or Thurgood movie 		Deb: Get invites for February 1 for AAAC members.

at Harkins

2. Lunch & Learn
3. Book Club: Breyaunna likes Malcolm X or 12 Years a Slave or Frederick Douglas Narrative or James Baldwin in lieu of the book, I Am Not Your Negro. Possibly watch on own and then come to discussion.

- BSU Black Renaissance Ball – Sat Feb 29, 2020 @ 7pm – du Bois Ballroom

March

- Thursday, March 12: NAU International Women’s Day
- Friday-Sunday, March 27-29 NAU Black Leadership Summit. AAAC will table there on Saturday.

April

- Monday-Thursday, April 13-16: NAU Hip Hop Week
- Saturday, April 25: Miss Cleo’s Tea Party. 2-4 pm.

May

- NAU Black Convocation – Thurs May 7, 2020 @7pm – du Bois ballroom

June

- Saturday, June 20: Juneteenth at the Murdoch Center

B. Logo Approval: Coordinator Garretson reported that the correct logo had been approved and sent to the graphic designers, so no need to re-vote.

C. Brochure Approval: Council Member Smith presented a draft brochure. Corrections were made. Council member Smith will make the corrections and then get to Khara to change to a format Susie can keep and make changes as needed.

All: Let Breyaunna know other ideas on book

Breyaunna, Melisa, Khara, & Deb: Table at Leadership Summit.

Susie: Order stickers of logo.

Susie: Find out when County Diversity Day is.

Breyaunna: Make brochure corrections & send to Khara.

Khara: Change brochure to a format Susie can keep and make changes to

Susie: Print brochures on brochure paper; Ask if Public Affairs

D. Juneteenth 2020 Planning

1. Ask southside businesses to participate

2. Fundraising letters: Add the three logos (AAAC, SCA, County) across top; Add Flag Ranch, Pine Canyon, Forest Highlands Foundations to list of letters; Change signatories; Update dates.

3. Information tables or Activities: Reviewed last year's list.

Get for activities:

- Master Gardeners
- Dental Health Screenings -Jenny Garcia
- Rock Wall
- Bubble Palooza
- Chess (Killip chess club)
- Music Together - Amber
- Running Club
- MNA
- All County Health and Human Services Departments
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- Chamber of Commerce Young Health Professionals
- Southside churches

can pay for the brochure paper.

All: Ask southside businesses to participate

Susie: Create sponsor list; Update letters & send by 1/17; Send Save the Date; Send last year's flyer to group; Talk to Eric about fund request to pay \$1000 toward tent

Susie: Update Information table list and add those suggested:

Amber: Get Music Together to do a table.

Deb: Send Susie list of southside churches; See if NAU will lend AAAC rock wall; Draft letters for southside businesses

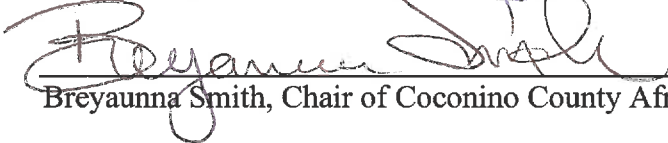
Khara: Send Susie contact information for Flagstaff Young

	<p>4. Vendor Ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KUTZ • Bubble Paloosa • Destiny’s Creations • Tiana Chase • Kim Robinson; Kutz <p>5. Performers ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emcee could be Shawn • Fashion show by Bernadine – Do first on program • Shakespeare Club; • Mnouer dance 2 dances for 10 minutes. • Story telling; Dr. Guthrie • Just one gospel group; New gospel group - Khalid with two other fellows • Remove Byron Lee group; • John Semanas guitar; • Books in Murdoch Center – have those outside so kids can see them • Monica Brown can read her books • Video from last year on interviews: Use for promotion, and show it inside; <p>7. Food:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food truck ideas: Bayou Bayou; • Satchmos: Possibly put food truck(s) in yard; 100 free tacos or similar items <p>8. Finance:</p>		<p>Professionals.</p> <p>Susie: Create vendor lists;</p> <p>Breyaunna: Ask Kutz to cut hair;</p> <p>Susie: Create Performer list;</p> <p>Deb: Find 2019 Interview video; Send invites to last year’s performers; Ask Shawn to emcee; Ask Myrna Carter about actor participation; Ask Lawrence to photograph & video;</p> <p>Tracye: Ask Mnouer to do dance; Ask Guthrie &/or Ricardo to do story telling;</p> <p>Melisa: Work with Bernadine on fashion show;</p> <p>Khara: Ask Monica Brown to read from her book;</p> <p>All: Contact food vendors;</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • APS Grant: Deb reported that last year APS gave \$3000. She will apply again. • Laurel will do follow up with fundraising list with help from other AAAC members • Khara will apply for a grant to Bella Initiative of Grace Fund; <p>9. Tent: Deb recommended a Sedona company Street @ \$2000</p> <p>10. Volunteers: NAU STAR program</p> <p>11. Flyers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribute around County • Put on social media • Update flyer from last year; <p>12. Next year: If Juneteenth grows much more there will have to be a new location. Maybe NAU or Community College location. Brochure: from Breaunna to Khara to Susie- so County can keep. Use brochure paper. Public Affairs budget.</p> <p>E. New Bylaws Draft Review - TABLE</p>		<p>Deb: Fill out grant to APS & show to Amber, Khara & Melisa;</p> <p>Khara: Submit grant to Bella Initiative of Grace Fund.</p> <p>All: Follow up with businesses after letters sent</p> <p>Someone: See if FEDEX has grants</p> <p>Deb: Order tent; Talk to city to block off street;</p> <p>Deb: Get Killip or NAU Chess Club; Get NAU STAR program;</p> <p>All: Distribute and post flyers in southside and all over.</p>
<p>5) FINANCE</p>	<p>A. 2020 Budget</p> <p>There was some discussion on whether AAAC should fundraise, apply for CDBG funds, Bed Board & Booze funds or community</p>	<p>TABLE</p>	<p>Susie: Add to February agenda; Find out if AAAC</p>

	associations.		can award scholarships
6) ANNOUNCEMENTS	<p>There was discussion on these things: Whether AAAC could conduct an Essay Contest; Have an event for Miss Coconino County in the future; If AAAC is doing educational things, partner with Southside Community Association to help them keep their funding; Weekend retreat for girls of color &/or campout – age 8-12 - Tracye would host a resume writing interview workshop; Getting an Afro-Outdoors chapter here.</p> <p>January 25: Sigma Gamma Rho will have a spring class. US Forest Service is hiring people. Khara asked everyone to send one to send bios and head shots to be put on AAAC’s webpage. 3/28 District 3 (Matt Ryan’s district) Community meeting</p>		Susie: Ask everyone to send head shots & short bios to her to put on website
7) NEXT MEETING DATES	<p>February 12, 2020 AAAC Meeting March 11, 2020 AAAC Meeting and Tri-Diversity Council Meeting (AAAC hosting)</p>		
8) ADJOURNMENT	The meeting was adjourned at 12:14 PM.		

Respectfully Submitted by Susie Garretson



Breaunna Smith, Chair of Coconino County African American Advisory Council



Susie Garretson, Coconino County Diversity Council Coordinator