


**COCONINO COUNTY AFRICAN DIASPORA
ADVISORY COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes: April 20, 2022**

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION	FOLLOWUP
<p>Council Officers [X] Khara House, Chair and Communications and Social Media Liaison, [X] Amber Jones, Vice Chair [E] Jermaine Barkley, Assistant Vice Chair</p> <p>Council Members [X] Deb Harris [X] Dr. Tracye A. Moore</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Also, Present: Jana Weldon Linda Curley Diana White Susie Garretson</p>			
1) CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order at 5:33 PM		
2) OPENING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	A. None		
3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES	A. Discussion and possible action on approving the February 9, 2022, ADAC meeting minutes: Tabled	Tabled	
4) NEW BUSINESS	<p>A. Introduction of Service of Diana White – Khara House, ADAC Chair: Diana is a previous ADAC member. She has now moved back to Flagstaff and is serving as the Executive Director of Moonshot at NACET at their Flagstaff Campus. ADAC Chair House welcomed her back to ADAC.</p> <p>B. Public Affairs Meet and Greet – Trey Williams, Coconino County Public Affairs Director: Trey is leading the Tunnel Fire community meeting. Tabled.</p> <p>C. Importance of meeting quorums and council orientation – Khara House, ADAC Chair: Chair House explained the importance of attending ADAC meetings so that there are quorums, in order for the council to hold votes. If a member can't attend, they should notify Chair House or Susie. Consider moving the day and or time of the meetings. There is no council member orientation, except the Clerk of</p>	Tabled	<p>Susie: Send application for BOS approval.</p> <p>Susie: Follow up with Nicole re meeting about ADAC's budget with Deb, Trey, Steve.</p>

	<p>the Board can attend for this purpose.</p> <p>D. Indigenous Representation Project – Jana Weldon, City of Flagstaff Beautification, Arts, and Sciences Project Administrator: Jana presented slides:</p> <p> Working Group April.pdf</p> <p>Jana manages public art projects that are part of Flagstaff’s infrastructure. They want to form a working group and expand from Indigenous representation to multi-cultural representation on this group. At Sawmill Park (a county park) there is an opportunity to do rotating art projects. The county park was created with the idea of including rotating Indigenous art, but the county has not had the staff or the funds to accomplish this. The city does have the dedicated funding and staff for this. They hope to begin the working group in June 2022, and do a Call for Artists in fall or winter, installing in 2023. The plan is for the working group to determine important details in the process, including determining guiding principles. It was suggested that Jana contact the NAU Art Department for help in this effort, as NAU has introduced a project where staff and faculty are allowed to do 16 hours per month to do community service.</p>		
<p>5) OLD BUSINESS</p>	<p>A. Juneteenth task force report - Deb Harris, ADAC member: Juneteenth is a partnership with the Southside Community Association (SCA). The fundraising letters have been sent. There is a change in the county process for applying for Community Impact funds. ADAC member Harris will fill out the application to do this. The schedule for the Juneteenth weekend is: Friday: Gala and Rewards event Saturday: Outdoor festival at the Murdoch Center. Sunday: Flagstaff Symphony featuring the group Serpentine to play Earth, Wind, and Fire music. SCA has received a \$25,000 grant from the Arizona Community Foundation for the Juneteenth weekend, as well as for events all</p>		<p>Deb: Send Susie list of committees to send to councils and friends of councils.</p>

year, including for a project called 66 Pathways to Juneteenth.

List of committees volunteers are needed for:

Gala & Rewards – Bernadine Lewis

Saturday event (block party)

Accommodations Committee

Need a vendor coordinator.

Need a marketing person

Need a volunteer coordinator

Need setup/takedown person

For the Saturday event the street will be closed off.

B. ADAC social media – Jermaine Barkley, ADAC Assistant Vice Chair: Jermaine is working with Red Cross and is attending the Tunnel Fire community meeting. Table

C. Lived Black Experience (LBE) update – Deb Harris, ADAC member, and Khara House, ADAC Chair: LBE just had an in-person and streamed Community Dialog at the Murdoch Center about homelessness, mental health and its impact on the community and skid row. There will be a Symposium on June 2, 3, 4 on mental health, health, wellness, and Covid. It will be live at the High Country Conference Center. NAU is taking the lead on getting information out.

D. Black History Month Essay/Art Contest (looking forward to 2023) – Khara House, ADAC Chair: The committee met to discuss how to get prepared for the 2023 theme in advance and to make sure the theme is appropriate for the different age groups. They agreed to incorporate the project into the schools earlier. This year more teachers participated. One teacher wants to incorporate all year long and a principal wants to be intentional about it during the year. For 2023:

- Introduce the contest to teachers in August so they can incorporate it in to their lesson plans.
- Release the flyer in early December with a press release on December 16.
- Accept submissions about mid-January through first week of February.
- Awards Ceremony late February.

Table

	<p>There was discussion regarding FUSD's Anti-Racism Committee. Jermaine has been trying to apply to be a member but is not hearing back from the Chair. Khara is writing a letter to the Chair and department head.</p> <p>Recently Khara has been contacted by a teacher regarding a possible problem with a racism in her school. The teacher asked for help in dealing with it. There was a suggestion to compile a list of resources for the teachers on ADAC website. Flagstaff High School has peer mentors.</p>		
6) FINANCE	<p>A. Finance report – Susie Garretson, Coconino County Diversity Council Coordinator: There is \$4303.51 in the account.</p> <p>B. Discussion and possible action on expense approval – Khara House, ADAC Chair: None</p> <p>C. Discussion and possible approval of funds to support Juneteenth: Table until a Juneteenth budget is presented.</p>	Table	
7) ANNOUNCEMENTS	A. April 12, 2022, 2pm-4pm: Miss Cleo's Tea Party at the Murdoch Center.		
8) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	None		
9) NEXT MEETING DATES	<p>A. May 11, 2022, ADAC meeting</p> <p>B. June 8, 2022, ADAC meeting</p>		
10) ADJOURNMENT	Chair House adjourned the meeting at 6:37 pm.		

Respectfully Submitted by Susie Garretson

These minutes were approved at the ADAC May 11, 2022, ADAC meeting.