August 1, 2020
GENERAL MEETING
BERKSHIRE COUNTY BRANCH, NAACP

Zoom

Attendees
Attendance recorded with Zoom registration.

AGENDA:

1. Meeting Called to Order  6:03 pm
2. Opening Silence
3. Review of Treasurer’s Report
   a. Erica Mielke gave an overview of the Treasurer’s Report.
   b. Merle Ferber made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report.
   c. Chad Robertson seconded.
   d. Approved.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   a. The June and July Branch meeting minutes are not completed and will be approved at the next Branch meeting.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

1. Face Book - Leah Reed
   a. Chair not present.
2. Website – Rebecca Thompson
   a. Rebecca Thompson provided an update of improvements made and coming to the website.
3. Membership & Life Membership - Chad Robertson
   a. A membership survey has been sent out for people who want to be members of committees.
4. Health – Brooke Bridges
5. Environment & Climate Justice - Al Blake, Raei Bridges
   a. An overview of current pieces of legislation being worked on in Boston.
6. Race Relations - Shirley Edgerton & Joel Priest
   a. White Ally Training to be made later in the meeting.
7. Community Coordination – Dubois Thomas
   a. Overview of projects being worked on.
a. Survey being worked on for the needs of Black owned businesses.
b. Idea Jam Report being worked on.
c. Black Economic Council of the Berkshires website being developed.

9. Redress Committee - Christina Daignault & Doug Mishkin
   a. High level update of committee work was given without giving details that would reveal the names of community members.
   b. Been fielding a lot of complaints involving employment discrimination.
   c. Met with the new Police Chief of Adams.
   d. Mayor Bernard being supportive of BLM activity in North Adams.

PRESENTATION:
White Ally Training – presented by the Race Relations Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

10. Adjournment 8:09 pm
    a. Merle Ferber made a motion to adjourn.
    b. Arlene Tolopko seconded.
    c. Adjourned