

Alexandria Community Remembrance Project Joseph McCoy Lynching Remembrance Meeting
March 29, 2022 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Lloyd House, 220 N. Washington Street
Conference Line for Call In: 703-746-3005 Pass Code: 470500#

MEETING NOTES

Present: Audrey Davis, Gretchen Bulova, Michael Johnson, Letty Maxwell, Rose Dawson, Rabbi David Spinrad, McArthur Myers, Andrea Tracy, Tiffany Pache, Rev. Quardricos Driskell. Present on phone: Brenda Mitchell-Powell, Jean Kelleher, Linda Howard, Amy Bertsch.

Public attending: Ms. Stapleton.

1. Meeting called to order at 3:06 by Audrey Davis.

2. Update on Companion Events to the Remembrance

- April 21 public reception from 6:30-8PM at the Lyceum featuring Dr. Thomas Lutz and Mischa Kuball from Germany. April 22 All Day Symposium (Design Charette) invitations have been sent. (Audrey Davis)
- Rose Dawson provided an update on the April 9 social justice bike ride. Trial ride has been done and riders are signing up. Libraries will include information about Thomas McCoy at stops. Also, the library has updated the social justice reading list for the ACRP website.
- Illumination of Masonic Memorial in purple for McCoy will occur on evenings of April 22-24. (McArthur Myers)

3. Run of Show and Logistics Updates (Gretchen Bulova):

- Permits in place.
- Current Run of Show: Start time 3 p.m.

Opening Music (Beulah Baptist Choir Members)

Rev. Q welcome

Remarks by: Mayor, Police Chief, Commonwealth Attorney and ACPS student

Poet Laureate

Song

Rev. Daniely, Pastor at Roberts Memorial Eulogy

“Meditation” music leads into:

Rabbi Spinrad “significance of stones” & logistics

Procession to the lynching site

Chalk Art/laying of stones

Group Music

Closing remarks by Rev. Q

- Working with police to temporarily close Lee Street to allow for procession of stones. Condo garage will remain accessible to residents.
- Working with NOMAD on lighting, sound and filming.

- Police Door and post with marker (first time) will be illuminated in purple.
- Letter to faith community went out on March 23.
- Rain Plan: Michael will check to see if we can use the Lee Center's auditorium – reservation from 1pm to 6pm. If necessary, use the city electronic service announcement to switch venues.

4. Program Remarks (Tiffany Pache)

- Main speakers have been invited and have accepted.
- Still awaiting a response from the Alexandria Gazette.

5. Safety Update (McArthur Myers)

- Police officers will be on Market Square and at Cameron and Lee and King and Lee and will block the street for the procession portion of the event.
- An EMT will be nearby as well.

6. Marketing update (Tiffany Pache)

- Tables at Farmers Market
April 9, Tiffany and Michael
April 16, Darrlyn and Jean
- Consideration of an add in Alexandria Times/Gazette.
- Press release is drafted.
- Out of the Attic in Times
- Plan for two days at Lloyd for pick up of yard signs. We will also take signs to Farmers Markets. Recommendation to ask AC students to cover the event, film the event.
- Discussion of playing video of the event on city channel 70. Need to explore this further.

7. April 5 Proclamation at City Council Meeting at 7 p.m.

8. Follow Up Assignments

- Student Service Project to pick up stones? Letty Maxwell offered to look into getting student volunteers to help with clean up.
- Order rental chairs, include 25 for N. Lee Street

9. Next Meeting: April 12, 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at The Lloyd House.