

ACRP Steering Committee Meeting

Alexandria Black History Museum

902 Wythe Street,

Alexandria

Tuesday, June 4, 2024

5 to 6 p.m.

Meeting Notes

In Attendance: Sarah Whelan, RaAlim Shabazz, Macarthur Myers, Rose Dawson, Jean Kelleher, Kennetra Wood.

1. Gretchen called the meeting to order at 5:15. This was Jean Kelleher's last meeting as she retires on July 1.
2. Update on Benjamin Thomas Remembrance which we hope to hold at Shiloh Baptist Church under the theme: Remembrance is Resistance.
3. Update on Interfaith Conversations, hoping to bring Eric Ward to speak in conjunction with the Thomas Remembrance.
4. Fundraising for Scholarships and for ACHS Remembrance Students – looking for hosts for the Table of Contents fundraisers.
5. Documentary Release and Fall Meeting Planning – Sept. 21, a premiere as a fundraiser, sell other items at the event as well. Discussion of AMC, Masonic Temple. VIP Reception.
6. Discussed inviting Susan Strasser to provide a lecture series. Woods and Whelan asked if we could have her speak to ACPS faculty.
7. Follow Up Items –
 - A. Invite Emerald Christopher, new Director of the City's Equity Office, to join the Steering Committee.

- B. Regional coalition building- working with Maryland to pull together local and state Remembrance groups in the area. Working toward a Nov. 1 event in Baltimore.
Consider hosting a regional event in fall of 2025.
 - C. Relaunch a new committee structure in the fall.
8. Next Meeting Aug. 6 at 5 p.m. at Alexandria Black History Museum.