



Cultural Awareness Team Minutes
February 8, 2023 @ 2:00pm
Founder's Room & Zoom

Co-Chairs: Erin King & Brett Whitnel

Roll Call:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Stephanie Bigham | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Felicia Rouse | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Leslie Weldon |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Erin King (co-chair) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Jackie Smith | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Brett Whitnel (co-chair) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Lorena Hines | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Amber Suggs | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Brandy Woods |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Kayde Pender | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | James Walton | <input type="checkbox"/> | Robbie Woolridge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | | <input type="checkbox"/> | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Dr Taylor |

Agenda Items:

- I. **Call to Order 2:05pm**
- II. **Approve Minutes** *Brandy motioned to approve as presented – Kayde seconded -MC*
- III. **Additions to the Agenda** *Dr Taylor: Introduction of New HR Director: Felicia Rouse*
- IV. **Items for Discussion**
 - *Policies for review: N/A*
 - *February Activity Ideas*
 - a. *Decorate display in H Hallway: Black History Month – is up! Mr. Eason & Stephanie Fisher*
 - b. *Video of an excerpt from “Letters from a Birmingham Prison” – Brandy will work with Kevin to create – present on Feb 15th or 17th*
 - c. *Black History Trivia Kahoot! on social media – Go out on Feb 20th while we are out for holiday*
 - d. *Non-Homecoming week activities*
 - i. *Black sitcoms in Commons: James research & schedule – 13th-17th in Commons*
 - ii. *Saints Read: Athletes read to grade-school kids – this is already happening!*
 - e. *“Shawnee Speaks” – February 24th: Critical Race Theory: an explanation presentation – Robbie Woolridge - is scheduled!*
 - f. *Healing Southern Illinois group & Montgomery Trip – Mike McNally – scheduled Feb 27th*
 - g. *Black Owned Business to cater lunch for Faculty/Staff Appreciation – Brandy will work with Tina to see what she already has planned.*
 - h. *For 2024:*
 - i. *Black Greek Step Show – maybe incorporate with SCC Band/Choir performance*
 - ii. *Black Artist(s) Art Display Expanded*
 - iii. *Local Black Greek Chapters – James maybe include in Fall Transfer Fair?*
 - iv. *“KennyFresh” Professional Speaker – James will connect with*
 - v. *Anything we don’t get accomplished in 2023!*
 - *March Activity Ideas:*
 - a. *Women’s History Month – Door decorating contest!*
 - b. *Wendy Harris & Cosmetology is planning movie event.*
 - c. *Disability Awareness Month / Brain Injury Awareness Month*
 - i. *“Shawnee Speaks” – March 20th: Ask Christian Bucher (also ask about Arrowleaf video)*
 1. *Wear color-for-awareness that day*
 - *April Activity Ideas:*
 - a. *Earth Month / Earth Day 22nd*
 - b. *Autism Acceptance Day – April 2nd: Send awareness email*
 - i. *Wear color-for-awareness that day*
 - c. *National Counseling Awareness / Sexual Assault Awareness / Stress Awareness Month*
 - i. *Info commercial on social media*
 - ii. *“Shawnee Speaks” – April 17th: Ask Donna to present? (Or another counselor?)*
 - d. *National Library Day – April 6th: is Cecilia planning something?*
 - *Future Activity Ideas*
 - a. *May Activity Ideas:*
 - i. *Mental Health Awareness Month*
 - ii. *Neurodiversity Celebration Week*
 - iii. *National Teachers Day – 1st Tuesday*
 - iv. *Mother’s Day*
 - b. *Future Activity Ideas*

- i. *SIUC – COLA presenters: topics include: Black History Month, Women’s History Month, Asian America & Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Latinx Heritage Month, LGBTQ+ History Month, & Native American Heritage Month... and others. (info available)*
- ii. *Erika Gilchrist: From Homeless to Rockstar (info available)*
- iii. *“KennyFresh”: belonging, identity, affirmation, mental health, wellbeing & faith. (info available)*

v. **New Business**

VI. **Adjournment**

VII. **The next meeting will be held March 8th, 2023 @ 2pm @ Founder’s Room**