

**Meeting Summary of the Harriet Tubman School Advisory Council
February 14, 2019**

The Harriet Tubman Advisory Council (HTSAC) held a meeting on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 6pm in the Harriet Tubman School Building. The following members were present:

Bessie Bordenave – Chair
Herman Charity
Everlene Cunningham
Fred Dorsey
Hannah Gorel
James LeMon
Howard Lyles
Melvin Kelly
Roberta Kelly
Kristina McKirahan
Dottie Moore
Kori Jones

Dr. Calvin Ball, County Executive
Jennifer Jones, County Executive’s Office
John Byrd, Department of Recreation and Parks
Matt Madera, Department of Recreation and Parks
Michael Kaminetz, Department of Public Works
Lauren Myatt, Consultant
Ryan Etter, Department of Recreation and Parks

Chair Bessie Bordenave called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Approval of January 10th Minutes

Motion to approve the January 10th minutes by Bessie Bordenave and seconded by Kori Jones. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items

- County Executive Calvin Ball spoke about his vision for the facility and his support for the bond bill sponsored by Del Atterbeary.
- Because of permitting for sprinklers, the opening of the facility will be delayed.
 - Takes 8-9 months to get the permits
 - Del Turner suggested doing a groundbreaking for the Sept 21 celebration instead, if permitting not in place

- Upcoming Events
 - February 23rd – Black History Celebration
 - June 1st – Class of 55 to have luncheon for 40-45 people
 - Will use the cafeteria
 - No new chairs and tables would need to be purchased

- John Byrd discussed the protocol for use of space during renovation
 - Rec & Parks will be responsible for reservations
 - Matt Madera will oversee the facility
 - Went over rental plan and rates for residents/non-residents; non-profits
 - Resident - \$100/hour
 - There is a Rental Guide procedures and policy

- Lauren Myatt went over details and layouts of the building
 - Much discussion on whether to keep all the lockers in place.
 - Most were in favor of keeping them
 - We don't have enough parking – need 4 spaces/1000 sq ft. Building is 33,000 sq ft.
 - There is no site development plan on record

- Roberta Kelly shared draft letter of appreciation
 - All were in favor
 - Will be finalized for next meeting

- Del Turner shared some words of appreciation
 - Mar 4th – Deadline for testimony in Annapolis
 - Mar 9th – Bond hearings

Goals for Next Meeting

- Update on procurement of display exhibit cases
- Sponsorships
- African American oral history room
- Museum programming and displays

Adjournment

Bessie Bordenave moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Melvin Kelly and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:01pm.