

Date	11/10/2022 / Time: 10:00 - 11:00 am					
Invitees / Attendance	P	Melvin (Jai) Jackson	P	Kalindi Kapadia	P	Meghan Manfra
	P	Diane Chapman	P	Brian Mathis	A	Gary Beckman
	P	William Bauer	P	Harriett Edwards	A	Amanda Kennell
	P	Lara Fontaine	P	Kimberly Zugay (Provost Rep.)		
Action Items from last meeting	<p>The meeting was called to order in Zoom at 10:02 a.m. with a quorum present.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It was advised that the meeting would be recorded for use in capturing the Minutes and the recording would not be shared publicly. 2. The October 6, 2022 meeting minutes were approved. Motion to approve by Dr. Meghan Manfra and seconded by Ms. Lara Fontaine. 					

Dr. Joy Ericsson

Review of Visit

- a. Based on Dr. Ericsson’s visit, is there anything that the committee would like to see done differently for future speakers visit’s?
 - i. A suggestion was made for the committee to think about ways of getting more people to participate in the events (ie. - engage both Deans and Department Heads to get the word out to faculty members).
 - ii. It was mentioned that the following places on campus could be considered for future speaking events (as location influences alot):
 1. PCOM (Poole College of Management) Building.
 2. Duke Engergy Hall.
 3. Fitts-Woolard Hall.
 4. Plant Sciences Building.
 5. Titmus Theatre.
 6. The Integrated Sciences Building (Construction scheduled for completion in 2026).

Honorary Degree Nomination

- b. Each year the university does honorary degrees, twice a year (spring and fall); and look for individuals who can be nominated.
 - i. In the October 6th meeting, the committee discussed whether or not they would potentially extend an honorary degree nomination to Dr. Ericsson based on her presentation.
 1. Are there guidelines from NC State regarding bestowing honorary degrees on individuals?
 - a. NC State provides a letter to an individual who is befitting of a degree in recognition of their contributions, not necessarily to NC State. However, a connection with NC State would be nice, but it is not limited.
 - b. Dr. Ericsson does hold honorary degrees from:
 - Rutgers University
 - St. John's University
 - NC A & T State University
 - c. An honorary degree establishes a relationship with the speaker to the institution; by giving Dr. Ericsson an honorary degree to NC State, she will have a connection; thus creating an opportunity for a furthered relationship with NC State.
 - d. The nomination would be from the entire Speakers and Lectures committee and each committee member would be a signatory on the nomination if the committee sees fit to nominate Dr. Ericsson.
 - i. Is it generally organizations or groups that nominate individuals for honorary degrees, not just individuals?
 - ii. It can be both. One person could write the nomination, however, the University is not limited to saying that there's more weight behind groups of individuals or individuals themselves.
 2. Is there a list of individuals who have formerly received honorary degrees from NC State, along with letters or supporting documentation?
 - a. A link to [Honorary Doctoral Degrees was provided.](#)
 - b. A link to [Honorary Degrees Conferred](#) was provided.
 - c. The process for a nomination as a committee would include:
 - i. Writing a letter regarding who the individual is that the committee would like to nominate.

- ii. Why as a committee we feel that they are worthy of an honorary degree.
- iii. Their contributions to academia, to NC State, the world, etc.
- iv. The committee would endorse the nomination and push it forward.
- v. Dr. Jai Jackson sent the committee a link for an [Anonymous Poll For/Against Honorary Degree Nomination](#) for Dr. Ericsson.

Dr. Kwame Anthony Appiah

c. February 9, 2023

- i. The committee has an option of shifting the time of Dr. Appiah's presentation (from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.).
 - ii. The Stewart Theatre has been confirmed as the venue for his visit.
 - 1. Would the committee have lunch with Dr. Appiah during the day as opposed to dinner that evening?
 - a. Yes, Dr. Appiah will be flying in the morning of his visit and leaving that evening.
 - b. The committee has streaming and sharing capabilities to Dr. Appiah's presentation, however, the committee does not retain the rights to the video for an indefinite amount of time; only 2 months.
 - c. The recording is placed behind a password protected portal for access by registered participants.
 - d. Does the committee want to shift Dr. Appiah's presentation start time to 6:00 p.m. instead of 3:00 p.m.?
 - i. The committee agreed to Dr. Appiah's presentation starting at 6:00 p.m.
 - ii. **Tentative schedule for Dr. Appiah includes:**
 - 1. Prior to the event, pending approval there will be a small meeting with students and/or faculty members.
 - 2. Dr. Appiah's speech takes place at 6:00 p.m.
 - 3. Book signing afterwards outside of Stewart Theatre (the University Bookstore will coordinate this).
 - 4. Small reception to follow (in the area).
 - 5. Dr. Appiah leaves to go back to the airport.
- iii. It was suggested that the committee do an article on Dr. Appiah that would appear in the Provost's Newsletter to introduce and welcome him.
 - i. A discussion was made with the Director of the African American Cultural Center who is scheduling all Black History month events that will be listed as a marquee program for Black History. This is another way for the committee to co-op with other departments/colleges and gain additional promotional benefits.

- ii. Once the logistics are finalized, Dr. Jackson and Kimberly Zugay will share the information with the committee.

New Business

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Next Meeting

Spring 2023 Calendar Invites - TBD