

Date	1/19/2023 / Time: 10:00 - 11:00 am					
Invitees / Attendance	P	Melvin (Jai) Jackson	P	Kalindi Kapadia	P	Meghan Manfra
	P	Diane Chapman	P	Brian Mathis	P	Amanda Kennell
	P	William Bauer	P	Harriett Edwards	A	Gary Beckman
	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 November 10, 2022 meeting minutes were approved. Motion to approve by Dr. Kalindi Kapadia and seconded by Dr. Amanda Kennell. 					

Equity Research Symposium

Co-sponsorship

- a. Last year, the committee was asked by the Equity Research Symposium Committee for co-sponsorship of their speaker.
 - i. The estimated cost for the speaker was \$30,000 and the Endowment Fund did not have enough funding to accommodate the request.
 - ii. The total amount of funds remaining in the Endowment will be determined after Dr. Kwame Anthony Appiah’s visit.
 - iii. Dr. Jackson has spoken with the planning committee and the chairs for those committees (Dr. Juliana Nfah-Abbenyi, Associate Dean of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion - CHASS and Dr. Karen Hollabrand, Associate Dean for Research and Innovation - College of Education) and they have obtained sponsorship through OIED and other entities.
 - iv. It was suggested that since the committee’s co-sponsorship will not be monetary, perhaps the committee could volunteer their services for the

day and be listed as co-sponsors; which may provide an opportunity to join other standing committees.

- v. The Symposium is scheduled for March 7-8, 2023. The speaker is Shawn Harper, a higher education Researcher. Dr. Jackson will provide more information on the details of what co-sponsorship will look like short of the committee providing monetary funding by the next meeting.
 - 1. Is this Equity Symposium sponsored by the Research Offices or the Provost?
 - a. There is not one specific sponsoring body; every college puts funding towards the Symposium.

Honorary Degree Nomination

- b. Last semester, the committee took a poll regarding nominating Dr. April Joy Ericsson for an honorary degree.
- c. The poll results indicate that the committee is in favor of nominating Dr. Ericsson. [Anonymous Poll For/Against Honorary Degree Nomination](#)
 - i. A suggestion was made that the committee start working on the official letter of nomination.
 - 1. The letter should include why the committee believes Dr. Ericsson should receive an honorary degree from NC State, and show how her work, service and contributions connect to the institution. This nomination has the potential of establishing a connection between our institution and Dr. Ericsson.
 - 2. The deadline for completing this nomination is in late February.

Dr. Kwame Anthony Appiah

- d. Dr. Appiah will be flying into RDU on February 9, 2023.
 - i. Dr. Jackson shared [Dr. Appiah's itinerary](#) with the committee.
 - ii. Dr. Appiah has agreed to meet with the Philosophy Department at 4:00 p.m. for no additional costs.
 - iii. The book that Dr. Appiah has requested for the book signing entitled *The Lies That Bind: Rethinking Identity*.
 - 1. Kimberly Zugay has contacted the NC State bookstore to get copies of the book ordered.
 - 2. A suggestion was made for the committee to purchase 30-50 copies of Dr. Appiah's book to give out to students and other individuals in attendance for the book signing.
 - 3. The reception and book signing will take place outside of the Stewart Theatre.
 - 4. Kimberly Zugay is working on the publicity portion (a billboard) for the event and will have all edits completed by Thursday, January 20th. Once all edits are made and a final approval is done, the billboard will be sent out and the registration will be done through Eventbrite to capture the number of individuals who are coming in person and those who will be in attendance via Youtube.

5. Although this event will be live streamed, the University is limited to only allowing the video recording; it cannot be placed on Youtube; but can be kept on a Google Drive folder that NC State members can have access to for a limited time period.
6. Dr. Appiah's talk for the event centers around depolarizing identities (e.g. how individuals think about their identities and how their identities are shaped).
7. Dr. Jackson has spoken with the Black History Coordinating Committee and this event will be listed in conjunction with the Black History Month programming and be cross referenced and promoted.
8. Volunteer assignments for the event are:
 - a. Greeters for the door.
 - b. Runners (w/microphones) in the event that there is a Q & A session.

Campus Community Engagement

- e. This committee is known for operating in off years as it waits for money to be replenished and rebuilt in the Endowment Funds. There have been questions raised on how can the committee engage prominent speakers and voices on campus?
 - i. What can be done in the off years to highlight NC State's internal individuals?
 1. What should the committee be thinking about in terms of next year?
 2. A suggestion was made for the committee to engage in thinking of ways to keep active and still provide a service and a meaningful interaction to the campus community without liquidating the funding.
 3. The committee has the opportunity to partner with the Office of Interdisciplinary Research, OIED and other entities so that funding is not necessarily limited.
 4. It was mentioned that the University does have some infrastructure built in throughout the campus community; the University's Activity Board hosts [TUFF Talks](#) (modeled after the TED Talks Theories); which have engaged faculty, staff and students in the past and is done annually.
 5. There is also a TEDX Student Organization, and the Student Government Organization has hosted in the past a last lecture series.
 6. A link to the [Experts DataBase](#) was shared with the committee.
 - a. How can the committee potentially partner with these groups to do a co-sponsorship?
 - b. A suggestion was made that the committee think about ways in helping to publicize events that are happening throughout the campus community to increase awareness; this is a great way for the committee to become a repository for these events.

- c. A suggestion was made to offer some type of badging or incentive for individuals to do talks throughout the year that can be added to their professional development.
- d. Since the University is a Credly campus, Dr. Jackson will explore more into this topic and get back to the committee.

New Business

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Brian Mathis

Meeting adjourned at: 10:39 am

Next Meeting

February 23, 2023 11:00 - 12:00 p.m.