

**Local Development Council September Meeting
September 18, 2024**

Attendance: Dr. Toye Latimore, Evelyn Wilson, TeQuilla Taylor, A'Lana Lester, Barbara Holt Streeter, Delegate Veronica Turner, Ebonique Bethea, Letisha Vinson, and Jamila Woods

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Dr. Latimore at 7:02 PM

- Dr. Latimore asked that the subject matter of discussing the budget on the agenda be removed, since she did not get a chance to get speak with Barbara regarding it.

Opening Remarks

- Barbara Holt Streeter - shared updates from CEX office:
 - This month is Hispanic Heritage Month, she will make sure everyone receives information on events.
 - Last week - Polo Jazz event
 - Announced horse industry events throughout the next few months.
 - On September 26th, Strategic Partnerships will be hosting Eat, Educate and Engage at Silver Diner.
 - Discussed CEX's CBC events.
 - Multiple events for Prince George's goes Pink in October

Tequilla Taylor and Veronica Turner also provided welcome messages.

Approval of June Meeting Minutes

- Dr. Latimore motioned to approve June 17th meeting minutes by unanimous consent.
- All in favor

Updates from Delegate Veronica Turner:

- Attended MACO event.
- Scholarships – awarded \$36,000 to students.
- Spoke on her support with putting bill back in place regarding the ongoing crime on route 210.

Updates from Tequilla Taylor:

- Discussed the various things that Senator Muse is doing in the community.
- Accepting any new requests as they are currently in the process of discussing new bills.
- There are extra funds available for scholarships.
- Tequilla will share information with Letisha regarding an open house.

Updates from Delegate Woods:

- A scholarship banquet was held.
- Spoke on the 26th dialogue.
- Heart and gun legislation

Dr. Latimore:

- Spoke on the state's attorney's office class.
- Requested a meeting with Barbara to discuss how to move forward with the budget.
- Spoke on applications that were received but we 'rent in the 6-mile radius.
- Discussed the organization that returned their awarded grants.
- Discussed the challenges of organizations' ability to make an impact in the community with the amount they were awarded.

Evelyn Wilson:

- Recommended that applicants specially address where they are located.
- Most final reports did not give enough information on where the services were being provided and what percentage of the budget went to specific projects.

Ebonique:

- Looking to hold a Zoom or in-person events to spread more info regarding LDC.

Local Impact Grant Updates:

- Confirmed that all funds were spent.
- Discussed the organization that returned the awarded grant.
- If they are not able to increase the budget, they we decrease the number of people that are allowed to submit applications.
- Letisha clarified that they could select how many applications they will receive.
- Kanika confirmed that the returned funds could not be awarded to another organization due to the fiscal year being over.

Agenda for October:

- Ebonique on LDC community forum (possibly October)
- Any requested subjects for the next meeting with be sent to Letisha.

Adjournment:

- Meeting was adjourned by Dr. Latimore at 8:24pm.
- All in favor