

TJMC-UU Racial Justice Committee Meeting
October 7, 2018

Next meeting: Sunday, November 4, 2018 after 2nd service

Attending:

Kate Fraleigh, Frank Dukes, Ann Forno, Eric Glassman, Heather Evans, Edith Good, Shirley Pau, Marc Goldberg, Wik Wikstrom, Patrick Migas, Margaret Lambert, Lila Rucker, Linda Dukes, Sharon Utz

Agenda:

1. Opening (Wik) and Intros
2. Highlights of our own recent RJ work
3. Updates
 - a. SURJ (Showing Up for Racial Justice)
 - b. Housing – Housing authority, Habitat, PHAR (Public Housing Association of Residents)
 - c. IMPACT
 - d. UCARE
 - e. Cville City Council
 - f. Tabling
 - g. RE (Religious Education)
 - h. Immediate Response activities
 - i. 7-11 (logo for Washington NFL team is on cherry-flavored Slushie button at 7-11 and 7-11 sells tons of their merch)
4. Other
 - a. Cville to Jamestown Pilgrimage
 - b. African American Teaching Fellowship
5. Closing

Minutes:

2. Highlights of our own recent RJ work

- holding conversations with folks about RJ topics
- 3rd grade: ?????? (missed this item)
- working on housing issues
- attending IMPACT meeting
- continuing to read Waking Up White and other literature
- two weeks practicing thinking outside own perspective - ?????
- looking for positive developments with racial justice
- working on redlining effects
- engaging in truth process in Cville area
- creating and disseminating list of RJ activities

- teaching RJ lesson about white supremacy to RE class here at TJMC-UU

3. Updates

a. SURJ – Kate Fraleigh

- wasn't able to attend their September meeting, but SURJ is working on the plank of the Black Lives Matter platform about abolishing the police

b. Housing – Edith Good

- on-going efforts to get developers to commit to providing affordable housing
- Riverbend has been chosen as the developer for the upcoming SIA (Strategic Investment Area) housing development in Cville
- housing that is affordable for folks with incomes that are 30% of the AMI (area median income) are the goal

c. IMPACT (Interfaith Movement Promoting Action by Congregations Together, impactville.com) – Sharon Utz

- Working on enhancing accessibility in Charlottesville and Albemarle County
- meeting on Oct 30 to find out about any abuse of loopholes

d. UCARE (University and Community Action for Racial Equity) – Frank Dukes

- molding new UVA president to acknowledge the legacy of using labor of enslaved people at UVA
- sign up for newsletter if you're interested (email Frank at efdukes@gmail.com)
- continuing to work on memorial to enslaved laborers
- looking at history of faith in sustaining racism

e. [City Council](#) – Kate Fraleigh

- working on funding more affordable housing
- working with Habitat for Humanity on housing
- a proclamation to abolish the police department has been proposed

f. Tabling on Sundays – Kate Fraleigh (3rd Sunday)

- will have info on voting, ICE notification, CIRAC info (Charlottesville-area Immigrant Resource and Advocacy Coalition)

4. Other

- Please support the AATF (African American Teaching Fellows, aatf.org). See Edith Goode for more information.
- 7-11 and NFL update – People are encouraged to express their views about how offensive the Washington football team logo is, especially with respect to its use in 7-11 stores on the Slushy button. Please contact Sara Gondwe for more information.
- Go see “The Hate You Give” movie.

d. Book recommendation: Summer of Hate by Hawes Spencer (UVA Press)

(Thanks to Patrick for taking minutes.)