

COCONINO COUNTY
AFRICAN DIASPORA ADVISORY COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes: June 9, 2021

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION	FOLLOWUP
<p>Council Officers [X] Khara House, Chair and Communications and Social Media Liaison, [E] Amber Jones, Vice Chair [A] Jermaine Barkley, Assistant Vice Chair</p> <p>Council Members [X] Deb Harris [X] Dr. Tracye A. Moore [X] Breaunna Smith</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Also, Present: Adrien Gupton Mel Miller Audra Travelbee Steve Peru Susie Garretson</p>			
1) CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order at 5:37 PM		
2) OPENING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION			
3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES	A. Discussion and possible action on approving the April 14, 2021, ADAC meeting minutes: ADAC Assistant Vice Chair, Barkley moved to approve the April 14, 2021, ADAC meeting minutes. ADAC member Moore seconded the motion and it passed.	APPROVED	
4) NEW BUSINESS	<p>A. County Manager Update - Steve Peru: Steve is meeting with the Chair of the Board of the Board of Supervisors (BOS) and staff regarding next steps on the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion position since the candidate they chose decided not to take the position. They will be posting on July 1 for the Public Affairs Director position (Eric Peterson's position). The BOS wants to meet with the councils regarding approving proclamations and certain actions board takes in acknowledgement of recognitions.</p> <p>B. Coconino County Diversity Week Participation (June 21, 22, or 25 at 1PM - Khara House, ADAC Chair: This will showcase ADAC. Chair House and ADAC Assistant Vice Chair Barkley will participate.</p> <p>C. Juneteenth Co-Sponsorship of the Black Expo – Deb Harris, ADAC member: This will</p>		<p>Susie: get available dates; Tell Khara & Jermaine.</p> <p>Deb: send Susie flyer.</p>

be on June 19. There is no financial assistance from ADAC needed. The backup plan if they do not get enough participants, is that Council member Harris will be there to inform that it is cancelled. Members were asked to post on their social media. Council Assistant Vice Chair Barkley will connect with Council Chair House and Council member Harris regarding Juneteenth being on Audible.

D. Commission on Trial Court Appointments - Khara House, ADAC Chair: Greg Nelson, District 3 Director explained that each County district has two members on the commission, consisting of people from two different parties. District 3's Republican member resigned so they are soliciting for applicants from diverse populations for Merit Selection of judges. Members were encouraged to consider themselves or others.

- Applicant must have resided in the supervisorial district from which appointed for at least one year before being nominated (To determine your current Supervisorial District, call 928-679-7144 or visit the Elections Website at:
<https://coconinocounty.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=7d4581c7cab74681ada7802d80cf8bcc>
- The applicant cannot be a judge, a retired judge or an attorney admitted to practice law in Arizona.
- The applicant cannot hold any governmental office, elective or appointive, for profit (i.e., salary, commission, etc.) (An appointee **can** be a governmental employee.)

Folks who are interested in the position should submit a cover letter, resume, and the Boards and Commissions application to District 3 Director Gregory Nelson, gnelson@coconino.az.gov. Mailing address is 219 E. Cherry Ave. Flagstaff, Arizona 86001. Phone is 928-679-7163.

Members: Post on social media and send out to contacts.

Jermaine: Connect with Khara & Deb.

All: Consider applying for the Commission on Merit Selection of judges.

	<p>E. Court Staff Training (June 22, 23, or 24) - Khara House, ADAC Chair: Khara will put something together and reach out to Sharon.</p> <p>F. Laurel Matsuda Memorialization – Deb Harris, ADAC member: This is all set to go, and Bryon Matsuda will be there. To set the date, they are waiting for a landscape quote. Susie will connect with Eric to find out where the money is that members donated for Laurel’s flowers when she was ill. Council Chair House will connect with Council member Harris regarding the design.</p>		<p>Khara: Reach out to Sharon.</p> <p>Susie: Find out where money is and how much.</p> <p>Deb: Send info re memorial to Susie</p>
<p>5) OLD BUSINESS</p>	<p>A. Follow up on Plaque/Board Diversity Engagement – Khara House, ADAC Chair: Council Chair House has a meeting set up with Supervisor Ryan and County Manager Peru regarding this. She will share that information with the Council.</p> <p>B. ADAC social media – Amber Jones, ADAC Vice Chair: Council Vice Chair Jones is stepping back from this, and Council Assistant Vice Chair Barkley is stepping in. He and Destiney meet once a week. They are working on establishing connections with ADAC, national information, Black history, education, Juneteenth, and possibly a calendar. Destiney is creating a backlog of posts so after June 30, they can still be posted. The page will possibly be boosted in the future to reach more people. ADAC has a Twitter page, Instagram, and Facebook. There was discussion about hostile comments and how to deal with them. Susie said those should be referred to Alex Fischer in the future. It was suggested that it might be good to try to reach out to the person and have conversations offline regarding those. Also, it was suggested to keep comments on there to keep track of who is saying what. Destiney’s tenure ends June 30. She would like to continue, even volunteering, if not paid. It was recommended that she apply to be on ADAC. Susie will explore what is entailed for her to continue to be paid.</p> <p>C. Lived Black Experience (LBE) Updates –</p>		<p>All: Share ADAC social media on personal social media.</p> <p>Susie: Check for County & ADAC paying intern; Dealing with hostile comments.</p>

	<p>Deb Harris, ADAC member and Khara House, ADAC Chair: The Southside Community Association Center and the Murdoch Center were nominated for a Flagstaff Arts Center Viola Award. Council member Barkley is facilitating some of the conversations on the Barber Shop Talks. LBE is looking at what the Barber Shop Talks will look like as Covid rules lessen, and whether they will be virtual and/or live.</p> <p>D. ADAC logo – Susie Garretson, Diversity Council Coordinator: There has been a snag on the conversion of the ADAC logo to Vector. It was suggested to ask Council member Jones if she has Photoshop.</p> <p>E. Community Garden and Pen Pal program: Table until further notice.</p>		Susie: Follow up on the logo.
6) FINANCE	<p>A. Finance report – Susie Garretson, Diversity Council Coordinator: There is \$3,746.22 in the account.</p> <p>B. Discussion and possible action on expense approval – Khara House, ADAC Chair: None</p>		
7) ANNOUNCEMENTS	Adrien Gupton introduced herself. She is the Assistant Clinical Professor at NAU in Dental Hygiene.		
8) NEXT MEETING DATES	<p>July 7, 2021, Tri-Diversity meeting (CHAC hosting).</p> <p>July 14, 2021, ADAC meeting – Cancelled.</p> <p>August 11, 2021, ADAC meeting</p>		
9) ADJOURNMENT	Chair House adjourned the meeting at 6:52pm. Council member Moore moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Assistant Vice Chair, Barkley, seconded the motion and it passed.	ADJOURNED	

Respectfully Submitted by Susie Garretson

These minutes were approved at the ADAC August 11, 2021, ADAC meeting.