

**HRC Meeting**  
**August 13, 2018**

In attendance:

Linda Jordon, Patrice Wilkerson, James Gooch, Bessye McGhee, Mary Cordrey, Helen Amis, Jason Jenkins, Archer Wilkins, David Smith, Harold Slaughter, Ron Bullock, Michael Felts, Tony Cozart, Dennis Daniel (John Wimbush arrived late)

Guests: Zelodis Jay, Wilma Moore

Absent: Sarah Mayfield, William Betts

Welcome & Call to Order - Helen Amis

Guest - District 1 County Commissioner Zelodis Jay

Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance - Dr. Tony Cozart

Approval of minutes - Ron Bullock, 2nd by Archer Wilkins

Public Comments - N/A

Committee Reports -

Program & Planning - TBD

Social - James J. Gooch

No report

Education - Rev. Tony Cozart

Working on the MLK Essay contest early. Will share with the schools by September 10<sup>th</sup> as school starts back on August 27<sup>th</sup>. Our goal is to provide much more time for students to do their essays, more time for HRC to read the essays and notify the students in a timely manner.

Publicity - Jason Jenkins

No report

Grievance - Telessie McGhee

No report

Update from the HRC meeting in Raleigh, June 2018; there was a large attendance from other HRC in the state. Dennis and Telessie represented Granville County. James E. Davis, Jr. from Durham indicated that he would help us any way he can.

Old Business - Remind everyone about the Robert Blackwell Award coming up. Start thinking about suggestions and notify committee members of your selection.

New Business - Mike Felts, County Manager

Update on 2018 General Election Candidate Forum

Secure use of City of Oxford Town Hall, Oct. 2, 2018, reception will be first. Available candidates- 14 to 20 maybe in attendance, max of 39 candidates. US House, US Senate may not show up but will be invited. There are a few judge slots running as well. Light refreshments will begin at 6 with the program starting at 6:30 ending at 8:30. Format is like a General Election with 3 minutes per candidate to introduce themselves and talk about why they are the best choice. After introductions, there will be a panel based upon responses.

Angela Allen has agreed to moderate the session. Time allotment is 2 hours, partnering with Granville County Chamber, League of Women Voters. Chamber will do the invitations, League of Women Voters will participate and provide candidate forum ground rules. Ground rules were represented. League of Women Voters will provide a list of questions, will not take questions from the audience and provide to Moderator.

Other comments/other business -

Telessie thanked everyone that participated in the Central Children's Home event.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30PM