

**City of Keene**  
**New Hampshire**

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. /JONATHAN DANIELS COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, November 2, 2016**

**5:00 PM**

**Trustee's Room, Library**

**Members Present:**

Bill Hay, Chair  
Yves Gakunde  
Mandi Slate  
Dottie Morris

**Staff Present:**

Meghan Spaulding, Recreation Programmer

**Members Not Present:**

Rev. Michael Hall  
Melanie Everard, Vice-Chair

**1) Call to Order and Roll Call -**

Chair Hay called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Roll call was conducted.

**2) Approval of Minutes – October 5, 2016**

Ms. Slate made a motion to approve the minutes of October 5, 2016 as submitted. Ms. Morris seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**3) Finance Report – (Page 5 of 5)**

Ms. Spaulding reported the balance remains unchanged at \$8,762.66.

Mr. Gakunde made a motion to accept the Finance Report as presented. Ms. Slate seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**4) DC Trip –**

Ms. Spaulding referred to the last two pages of the handout explaining they contain the same information that was presented previously from Wilson Bus Lines. She asked if this is something the Committee is interested in pursuing or not. Ms. Spaulding noted there are two time frames to choose from May 2017 and September 2017. Chair Hay commented there wasn't a big response to this last time. Ms. Spaulding further explained Wilson needs a bus load (minimum 40 people) to make this work. She also noted Wilson requires a 30-day prior notice if this is a go/no go.

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Addressing how to get the word out this time, Ms. Spaulding noted the winter flyer goes out in December and the summer flyer goes out around Memorial Day. Ms. Spaulding noted previously she put it on the website, used Mail Chimp, and the Facebook page. Chair Hay commented the Committee members should start putting feelers out to their contacts; he also noted this did not happen last time.

Discussion continued and it was noted there was no costs included in the information. Ms. Spaulding noted she or Mr. Bohannon would obtain this information for the next meeting. Committee members agreed on the September timeframe and that this issue should be agendized for further discussion at the next meeting. Ms. Spaulding will have all the missing information pulled together for the next meeting.

**5) New Business –**

1. Ms. Morris reported she was approached by Mr. Bohannon after the book reading put on during the Fall Festival. He suggested this might be something the Committee could do for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Ms. Morris explained the reading was based on the book “Witness”, by Karen Hesse. Ms. Morris shared the particulars of the program suggesting things could be pulled together again rather easily. Ms. Morris also noted the author would like to be present should the reading take place again. She also noted those involved volunteered their time and there would be no costs associated. Ms. Morris noted the event was held at the United Church of Christ; the Pastor there is willing to be involved in more of these opportunities. After discussion Ms. Morris agreed to put together a formal presentation to give at the next meeting. Committee members agreed this should be added to the December agenda.

2. Chair Hay reported he was present when the banners were put up and shared his experience. This was a project suggested by Senator Molly Kelly at the last meeting.

3. Ms. Slate noted her daughter will be doing an oral book report on the Wallace’s book “Blood Brother”. Ms. Slate’s daughter is a Junior at Keene High School.

**6) Adjourn-**

There being no further business Chair Hay adjourned the meeting at 5:20 PM.

**Next meeting date:** December 7, 2016

Respectfully submitted by,  
Mary Lou Sheats-Hall, Minute Taker  
November 3, 2016