

# Salem Keizer Branch NAACP

## General Membership Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Date:** January 7, 2019  
**# in Attendance:** 14

President Benny Williams called the general membership meeting of the Salem Keizer Branch of the NAACP to order at 6:07 p.m. A sign-in sheet was provided for persons in attendance.

President Williams informed members of upcoming changes to meeting minutes and reports. They will be posted on the website a few days before the general membership meeting. A link to the documents will be included in the meeting email reminder sent to members.

### **Installation of Officers Elected in December**

President Williams, Michael Chenault (Treasurer), Cynthia Richardson (Education Committee Chair) and Shelly Ehenger (Secretary) were sworn in as chapter officers. President Williams addressed questions/comments regarding the vacant positions.

**Minutes:** Shelly Ehenger, Secretary

Minutes of the December 2018 General Membership meeting were presented for review and consideration. *Dr. Reginald Richardson moved to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Tom Sermak. The motion carried.*

### **Announcements:**

- Salem Progressive Film: Ron Steiner, Oregonians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty, presented information on the upcoming premiere of the film "In the Executioner's Shadow". This film casts a penetrating look at the consequences of the death penalty. As the battle to overturn capital punishment comes to a head in the U.S., this provocative film challenges viewers to question their deepest beliefs about justice. The event is being held on Jan. 15, 2019, at 7 p.m. in Salem's Grand Theater. Website: [www.oadp.org](http://www.oadp.org)
- DCBS Career Fair will be held January 18, Labor and Industries Building.
- 110th NAACP National Convention will be held in Detroit, Michigan, July 20-24, 2019

### **Other Unit Business:**

A discussion regarding a strategic plan and focusing on continuing progressing at the positive pace of the past few years. Members are encouraged to communicate with leadership to ensure voices are heard regarding Chapter goals and objectives.

### **Committee Reports:**

**RJOC:** No Report

- Treasurer Report:** Michael Chenault
- Annual financial statement and required report will be submitted to National.
- Legal Redress:** No Report
- Communication:** Ariel Zimmer-Suel
- Requested input regarding the website and placement of documents.
- Membership:** No Report
- Education Committee:** Cynthia Richardson, Report Attached
- Youth Coordinator:** No Report

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration:** Cynthia Richardson, Co-Chair  
Gregory Peterson, Co-Chair

Cmte. Chair Richardson provided information regarding the schedule of events. The theme is **“Is the Dream and Dreamer Still Relevant?”** A flyer was electronically disseminated to partners and other interested parties. The program will be held at North Salem High School and feature students from SKSD. The march and program at the Oregon State Capitol will follow the program at North Salem. All participants will return to the parking lot for food and social gathering. Food will be sold by local food trucks. A request to support the meals for students was made. Chapter members Dr. Reginald Richardson and Shelly Ehenger provided resources to cover this expense for students.

The afternoon MLK Celebration will be held at Seed of Faith Ministries beginning at 3:30 p.m.

**Homeownership Stabilization Initiative:**

Charles Fong provided an update on activities that will impact the Portland area.

With no other business for consideration, the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Shelly Ehenger, Assist. Secretary

*Attachments: Committee Reports and Meeting Handouts*