

Tamara D. Grigsby Office for Equity and Inclusion – Staff Report – August 2023

EOC - Currently 9 Commissioners

- A. RE Commissioners that have not attended any or very few EOC meetings
 - OEI reached out to the commissioners to see if they are still interested.
 - ✦ Emails were sent and voicemails were left to contact OEI, at the time of writing this report, no responses have been received.

- B. RE follow up to comments, suggestions and inquiries regarding communication about EOC meetings
 - The staff will continue to send out the agenda and reminder along with a reminder e-mail, there is a link that is sent as well. Due to maintaining consistency with other meetings and committees that OEI department staffs, OEI will not change how it is currently communicating its information. Another copy of the EOC schedule for the remainder of the year will be added at the bottom of this report.

- C. Upcoming Presentations
 - ADA Coordinator - Ellen Derge can present at the September 2023 EOC meeting. If you have questions that you would like to send ahead of time, you can e-mail EOC staff Carrie Braxton and this will be forwarded to Ellen.

 - The Medical Examiner's Office can present at the November 2023 EOC meeting. If you have questions that you would like to send ahead of time, you can e-mail EOC staff Carrie Braxton and this will be forwarded to them.

- D. The three-part training in Black History for County Board Supervisors and OEI managers via hybrid has concluded. Dr. Christy Clark-Pujara, Professor of African American History at UW-Madison and founder of CP Historical Concepts presented at each session.

The title of the training is Why History Matters: The Creation and Problem of the White-Black Binary in the United States. Each session was scheduled for two hours, which included a discussion afterward. The material covered in each session:

Lecture 1 - Saturday, June 10, 2023, 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM: The Creation of Race-Based Slavery, 1492-1860

Lecture 2 - Tuesday, June 20, 2023, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM: African Americans Dismantle Race-Based Slavery and its Legacies, 1860-1968

Lecture 3 - Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM: Black in Wisconsin, 1725-1968

- Questions posed to Director of OEI – Regarding Black History, will there be a recap, evaluation, action plan? Will there be anything about equity and action currently? There are concerns about addressing current issues, current attacks on Dane County Board Supervisors; seeking clarity on next steps.
- Yes, after the third lecture, there was a debrief. Director Sparkman grounded the material in the Dane County experience. There was open dialogue with the participants and Dr. Clark-Pujara.

E. **Current Complaints and Resolutions**

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F. **2023 EOC Meeting Dates- remainder of year**

Tuesday, August 8

Monday, September 18

No October meetings – Budget time, may discuss further

Tuesday, November 28

Tuesday, December 19