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Racial Equity and Social Justice Action Team

August 14, 2019 12:30 P.M.

Minutes

Attendees: Clif Lavenhouse, Derrick Byrd, Frances Bisby, Donald Pinchback, Nikki Lyons, DeAnna Jackson, Verna Best, Dynasty Winters

- Welcome, Introductions, Minutes
- Raise the Age Movement Forum
 - The Raise the Age Forum will be 11-3 PM at South Central Church of Christ, 2010 Martin Luther King Blvd.
 - The finalized calendar with all details will be sent to group once completed. The proclamation will be read on September 3rd at 5PM.
 - The forum is meant to educate the public on what to expect if you end up facing the justice system and discuss the jargon that parents may be confused with.
 - RESJ plans to invite the Deputy Secretary, Donald Pinchback, and Crystal Wynne Lewis.
 - Diversion programs, crime preventions, counselors and resources should be present as well.
 - Youth are assigned public defenders so it may be beneficial to have public defenders available to give out information. Mr. Pinchback suggests Dubois, he will reach out to him to check his availability.
 - There should be an area for vendors and resource organizations to talk about the services they offer.
 - Francis Bisby recommended the Loch foundation that talks to youth about gang and gang violence and teaches entrepreneurship.
 - The public defender's office will help market the event, and Dynasty and Stephanie will help create a flyer.
 - Mr. Pinchback will send a directory of resources that serve in juvenile court and Stephanie will send to the group.

Adjourn

Next meeting: September 9, 12:30 PM