

## PRESIDENT'S TASK FORCE ON ANTI-RACISM, EQUITY & INCLUSION SUBCOMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL LEGACY

#### **MINUTES**

## November 4, 2020 | 3:00 p.m. Zoom Webinar

Members Participating: Cortez Brown, Miles Feacher, Stacey Hardin, Nastassia Janvier, Cassandra Jenkins, Maxine Jones, Kevin Rutois

#### I. Call to Order and Welcome

Maxine Jones, Subcommittee Chair

Chair Maxine Jones called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Jimmy Cole conducted the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

## **II.** Approval of Minutes

October 7, 2020

Miles Feacher moved to approved the October 7, 2020 meeting minutes. Cortez Brown seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

#### **III.** Public Comment

A full recording of public comment is available at president.fsu.edu/taskforce. The following individual offered public comment:

Max Epstein

# IV. Overview of Seminole Tribe of Florida Education Programs Andrew Frank at Florida State University

A full recording of Dr. Frank's presentation, including the question and answer session with subcommittee members, is available at president fsu.edu/taskforce.

## V. Subcommittee Chair's Remarks

**Maxine Jones** 

Chair Jones reminded subcommittee members that all meetings are open to the public and public input is encouraged.



## VI. Subcommittee Member Open Forum

A full recording of the subcommittee open forum session is available at president.fsu.edu/taskforce.

VII. Next Steps Maxine Jones

The Historical Legacy subcommittee voted to present a recommendation on the Francis Eppes Statue to the full Task Force. The recommendation is "The Historical Legacy Subcommittee recommends that Francis Eppes' name be removed from the College of Criminology building by January 31, 2021, and that an educational/historical record of the building having previously been named for Eppes be provided somewhere on campus. The record would include an outline of the process for reviewing the recognition and the reasoning for our recommendation that Eppes' name be removed." Miles Feacher moved to approve the above Francis Eppes Building recommendation. Cortez Brown seconded the motion and the recommendation was approved unanimously.

The Historical Legacy subcommittee voted to present a recommendation on the B.K. Roberts Building to the full Task Force. The recommendation is "The Historical Legacy Subcommittee recommends that the University administration seek legislative action during the 2020-21 legislative session to legally remove B. K. Roberts's name from the law school building and alternatively provide some form of contextualized recognition of B. K. Roberts somewhere within the Law School." Cassandra Jenkins moved to approve the above B.K. Roberts Building recommendation. Stacey Hardin seconded the motion and the recommendation was approved unanimously.

The Historical Legacy subcommittee agreed to consider a recommendation on the Francis Eppes Statue at the December 2, 2020 subcommittee meeting.

Dr. Jones asked the subcommittee to consider diversity on the University Naming Panel and educational programs on race at the next meeting.

### VIII. Adjourn

Chair Jones adjourned the meeting at 5:04 p.m.