COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF BLACKS February 6, 2023

Members Present		
Krystal Akehinmi		Arthur Banton
Charria Campbell	Harry Ingle	Sayota Knight
Keisha Claybrooks	Joshua Gordon	Tammy George
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Members Absent		
Gregory Holt	Dr. Polk-Johnson	Robert Owens
Wes Bridges	Rosemarie Black	Trobott Oworld
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membership regarding the upcoming meeting and asking them to please send a proxy if an absence is anticipated.

rocedures The CSB procedures need an update is certain areas. These changes
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need to be present to reach quorum, and other adjustments in language. Members serving on this committee are Holly Mills, Sayota Knight, and Troy Smith.
Subcommittee Reports CSB Diversity Advocate Award A discussion regarding updating, clarification, and criteria of this award took place. The award is to honor an individual whose advocacy work has been to improve the experiences of black students, faculty and staff on campus It was stated that it may be harder for individuals to be recognized as
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Tuesday, January 17th Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

The annual MLK Silent March took place at 11am, marching from the President's lawn to Derryberry Hall. It was well attended.

Wednesday, January 18th

Ten students and faculty gathered to make boxed lunches that were distributed to the Cookeville Mission. Victor Kline and Chartwells donated thatendond necked in a materials. A student volunteer took the made to the Mission. Thursday, January 19th

Tuesday, February 7th

Mr. Anthony Ray Hinton will speak at 6pm in the MPR. Mr. Hinton was wrongly convicted and exonerated after 30 years through the efforts of the Equal Justice Initiative.

Thursday, February 9th

Mr. Jeff Hobbs will speak on "Cherokee Freedmen" with associate Professor Troy Smith. This event is held in the RUC TPR at 6pm.

Sunday, February 19th

The Gospel Extravaganza is at 2:30pm at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry, 106 West 7th Street, Cookeville, TN 38501.

Tuesday, February 21st

"Racing Through Time", a student led history exhibit is scheduled in the Tech Pride Room.

The "Soul Food" Fellowship begins at 5:30pm in the RUC Multipurpose Room. Enjoy the soulful flavors of Memphis Jim and Samella's House.

Wednesday, February 22nd

Center Stage presents Ebonie Bell at 7:30pm in Derryberry Hall Auditorium.

Sunday, February 26th

The Impact Banquet begins at 5:30pm at the Leslie Town Center. Mary Alice McClellan and Lori Jackson Strode will be honored.

Monday, February 27th

"Paint Night" with Marc Burnett, alumnus and former VP of Student Affairs, begins at 6pm in the RUC Tech pride Room.

Adiournment

The motion to adjourned the meeting was made by Edward Driggers. It was seconded by Daniel Allen. The meeting ended at 2:44pm. The next meeting will be virtual on March 6, 2023, using Microsoft teams.