

Sharing May 18, 2021 NMC meeting notes for information – No decision needed from EC

The NMC’s goal is to provide definitive decisions about the following branches that are out of compliance in several different ways. Committee members agreed to have the Regional Contacts call each branch president to glean more information, document the information, then make a decision that will be shared with President Higginbotham and the Executive Council. This process may take through July to complete. Extreme care is being taken to make best decision for the branch.

These are the known branches that must be reached. Once Headquarters completes a final report for the NMC’s use, results may add or subtract from this list. Relevant information is noted in the “concerns” column below and the Regional Contact is listed. Suggested solution will be made after discussion with branch leadership. [One suggestion for Cleveland Branch is noted below.]

| Branch Name | City, State | Region and Contact | Concerns | Suggested Solution |
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| Van McCoy | Temple Hills, MD | 2/Janet Sims-Wood | Have encouraged this branch for four years. A letter will be submitted revoking their charter. | |
| Cleveland Branch | Cleveland, OH | 3/Kathie House | The branch members of this branch appear not to understand the magnitude of their plight. Branch suffered two deaths of prominent leadership: Ray Jirran and Mr. Rose [husband and father of President and Vice President.] Branch has not recovered from this loss. Treasurer, Craig Woodson, has maintained financial requirements. | Suggest the Elder Member, Shirley Kilpatrick conduct a history of the branch on or around September 9 to uplift the branch members and honor Ms. Kilpatrick. |
| Paul Laurence Dunbar | Dayton, OH | 3/Kathie House | This branch was devastated upon the former President, Greer Stanford Randle’s sudden illness and move to Atlanta, GA. The current president, Omope Carter Daboiku, President to charge but is extremely frustrated with the little help received by other officers. Once a very vibrant branch that now needs help. | |

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| ASALH Tampa Bay | Tampa Bay, FL | 5/Anita Shepherd | Missing reports; several sick officers. | |
| South Florida | South FL | 5/Anita Shepherd | A talk with the President is needed. | |
| St. Petersburg | St. Petersburg, FL | 5/Anita Shepherd | New officers have been elected. Several sick officers. Discussion needed with President. | |
| C. Delores Tucker | Washington, DC | 2/Janet Sims- Wood | President asked to be connected with President of Bethel Dukes. They want to collaborate to also help them grow. | |
| Carter G. Woodson | Washington, DC | 2/Janet Sims- Wood | The Vice President, Robert Gunn, has been a support for the President because the President does not do any technology. This branch has not had an election in several years. | |
| Margaret and Robert Garner | Cincinnati, OH | 3/Kathie House | This branch built an outstanding relationship with the school where youth day was held. The culture of the city appears to have had an impact on the branch when the leadership changes. A conversation with the President is important. | |
| Manasota | Sarasota, FL | 5/Anita Shepherd | Did not have all of their officers. Sylvia will share more. | |
| Sullivan County | Sullivan County, NY | 1/ Ida Jones | A younger generation took the lead in 2020. The President, Shirley Felder, even got children of the elder generation to join the branch. When COVID19 hit, contacting people and getting people to participate in online meetings or conference call became difficult. Only one | |

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| | | | other officer appears to be supportive. It is a burden now for a new President who was just learning the organization. Engage in dialogue with the President to help make a decision about what is realistic for this branch. | |
| Chicago Branch | Chicago, IL | 3/Kathie House | Reorganizing. They only have a President at the present. It has been over a year. Talk to Lionel to find out the status. According to Lionel, they have a person who has agreed to run for President but last we heard they had not had an election. This branch is in crisis. | |
| Roy L. Roulhac | Bergen County, New Jersey | 1/Ida Jones | Chartered in September 2020. Check the status after the branch meets to review and vote on their Constitution and Bylaws. | |

The Five Regions are:

1.

Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania

NMC Contact: Ida Jones

- Martha's Vineyard Branch (MA)
- The Bronx Branch (NY)
- The Manhattan Branch (NY)
- Sullivan County Branch (NY)
- Dr. Carter G. Woodson Greater Trenton Branch (NJ)
- The Honorable Roy L. Roulhac Bergen County, (NJ) Branch
- Edna McKenzie Branch (Pittsburgh)

- Phila-Montco Branch (PA)
- Philadelphia Heritage Branch (PA)

2.

The District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia

NMC Contact: Janet Sims-Wood

- C. Delores Tucker Branch (DC)
- Carter G. Woodson Branch (DC)
- Bethel Dukes Branch (DC)
- Van McCoy (MD)
- Julian Branch (MD)
- Samuel L. Banks Branch (MD)
- Prince George's County Truth Branch (MD)
- Roland McConnell Branch (MD)
- Hampton Road Branch (VA)
- Louisa County Branch (VA)
- Organizing Central Virginia-Lynchburg Branch (VA)
- Richmond Branch (VA)
- Huntington Tri-State Branch (W. VA)

3.

Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee

NMC Contact: Kathie House

- ASALH Detroit (MI)
- Paul Laurence Dunbar Branch (Dayton, Ohio)
- Margaret & Robert Garner Branch (Cincinnati, Ohio)

- Cleveland Branch (OH)
- Joseph Taylor Branch (Indianapolis, Indiana)
- Chicago Branch of ASALH (IL)
- Greater Kansas City Area (MO)
- Louisville Kentucky Carter G. Woodson Branch-Memphis Area Branch
(TN)

4.

**North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Louisiana, Texas,
California**

NMC Contact: Dorothy Bailey

- Organizing Triad North Carolina Branch (Greensboro) (NC)
- Romare Bearden Branch (Charlotte) (NC)
- Charleston Area Branch (SC)
- Charles A. Brown (Birmingham) (AL)
- Harper Councill Trenholm Sr. (Montgomery) (AL)
- Mobile Branch (AL)
- Charles Deslondes Louisiana Branch (New Orleans) (LA)
- W. Marvin Dulaney (Dallas-Fort Worth) (TX)
- Our Authors Study Club, Inc. (Los Angeles) (CA)

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Georgia and Florida

NMC Contact: Anita Shepherd

- Atlanta Branch (GA)
- Athens Branch (GA)

- Savannah Yamacraw Branch (GA)
- Central Florida - Dorothy Turner Johnson Branch (FL)
- Manasota Branch (FL)
- James Weldon Johnson Branch (FL)
- ASALH of Tampa Bay Branch (FL)
- St. Petersburg Branch (FL)
- South Florida Branch (FL)