



# City of Milwaukee

200 E. Wells Street  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
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## Meeting Minutes

### BLACK MALE ACHIEVEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

**MAYOR TOM BARRETT, CO-CHAIR and ALD. KHALIF**

**RAINEY, CO-CHAIR**

**Chris Abele, Raymond Banks, Robert Cherry, Spencer Coggs,  
William Coleman, Ellen Gilligan, Torre Johnson, Leigh  
Kunde, Patricia McManus, Robert Randolph, Shannon Reed,  
Mark Sain and Rashaad Washington**

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Thursday, November 30, 2017

10:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

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**1. Call to Order at 10:11AM**

**2. Roll Call**

**Present** 13 - Barrett, Sain, Coggs, Cherry, Kunde, Gant, Gilligan, Rainey, Banks,  
Randolph, Johnson, Washington and Coleman

**Absent** 2 - Crowley and Reed

**Excused** 1 - Hamilton

**Seating in for Health Department - Mr. Marques Hogans**

**3. Approval of May 22, 2017 meeting minutes**

*Mr. Sain, seconded by Mayor Barrett, moved to approve minutes of May 22, 2017 meeting. There were no objections.*

**4. Milwaukee Promise Funding (Steve Mahan)**

**- BMAAC members will vote to approve funding recommendations from the BMAAC sub-committee**

*Appearing:*

*Steven Mahan*

*Ms. Joyce Mallory*

*Mr. Mahan explained that the Milwaukee Promise was an allocation set aside within the funding allocation plan for the Community Block Grant administration through the council in 2014. Depending on the funding availability through the U.S. Department of Housing and urban development, amount has fluctuated. For 2017 the allocation amount was \$100,000. Eight applications were received this year's RFP, specific to the categories addressing the My Brother's Keeper Priorities Pipeline which are access*

*to economic and entrepreneurial opportunities, identity, gender and character development and educational opportunities. The agencies that submitted RFP's were Children Outing Association, Inc, Legal Action, Mentor Greater MKE; MPS, Milwaukee Urban League, My Father's House, Nonprofit Center of MKE, and running Rebels were among the submittals. Total amount requested was \$419,098.00. The funding Opportunity Committee reviewed these applications and formulated the recommendations to award Legal Action for MBK: Administration of Justice to work with Municipal Court alternative sentencing, amount recommended \$25,000; Mentor Greater MKE; MPS for MBK: alternative community-based institutions, mentoring for city-wide mentoring activity, amount recommended \$25,000; Nonprofit Center of MKE for MBK: representation and participation with board academy, amount recommended \$25,000; Running Rebels, MKB: alternative community-based institutions; mentoring for city-wide rites of passage, amount recommended \$25,000.*

*Ms. Mallory is the organization management consultant at the Nonprofit Center. She provides technical assistance to all the Community Block Grant organizations, including word development.*

*Ms. Mallory proposed, with the funding allocation awarded to the Nonprofit Center of MKE, to work with organizations, such as African American Chamber, the Hmong Chamber, the Hispanic Chamber and some of the other civic, social and fraternal organizations to recruit young men of color and residents who are interested in serving on nonprofit boards, and advisory committees, including social development, and resident boards. Organizations and Individuals who are part of the neighborhoods and are willing to receive training to understand the responsibilities of being a board member and who can benefit from having young people on their boards.*

*Mr. Cherry moved, seconded by Mr. Coggs, to approve the funding recommendations from the Black Male Achievement Advisory Council Subcommittee. There were no objections.*

**5. Re-introduction of the Americorp VISTA Workers (CEAC Director – Mike Williams)**

*Appearing:  
Mike William  
Ms. Shantia Lanier  
Mr. Corey Williams  
Mr. Joseph Armstrong  
Mr. Angel Santiago*

*Mr. Williams introduced four Americorp VISTA workers who will be fulfilling different priorities of the MBK pipeline; assigned to Employ MKE – employing individuals, boys and men of color and helping them to advance in the work place; Shanti Lanier; assigned to Running Rebels - city-wide rites of passage; Mr. Cory Williams, assigned to the Milwaukee Health Department - to improve the health of boys and men of color and to work with the Office of Violence Prevention on the Blueprint for peace; Mr. Joseph Armstrong, assigned to the African American Chamber of Commerce - developing entrepreneurship opportunities, Angel Santiago.; fifth position will be working on criminal justice reform and violence reduction, individual will be assigned to Legal Action of Wisconsin and Office of Violence Prevention.*

**6. Introduction of the 4 BMAAC workgroups:**

*- Education & Workforce Development (MPS, MATC, & Employ Milwaukee)*

- *Criminal Justice Reform & Violence Reduction (Legal Action of Wisconsin & OVP)*
- *Health (Department of Health)*
- *Leadership & Civic Engagement (Nonprofit Center & Running Rebels)*

*Mr. Williams distributed My Brother's Keeper 2018 Goals (this item was not posted for discussion).*

*Since the City budget is now completed, what are the allocations in relation to the MBK plan, asked Ms. Gilligan.*

*Ald. Rainey asked the Budget office would follow-up on Ms. Gilligan's inquiry.*

**7. Update from the OVP (OVP Staff)**

*Appearing:*

*Mr. Reggie Moore Director of the Office of Violent Prevention*

*Mr. David Muhammad - Program Manager OVP*

*Powerpoint presentation on 414 Life Safety Plan - Blueprint for Peace*

*The full document can be found at 414Life.com and at the Milwaukee Health Department site.*

**8. Update from OAAA (Director Nicole Brookshire)**

*Appearing:*

*Ms. Nicole Brookshire - Director of the Office of African American Affairs (OAAA)*

*Ms. Brookshire expressed her passion to continue to participate in the council. She said that the Office of African American Affairs posted a vacancy for the Engagement Outreach Coordinator position. Posted on the county website, she asked for every body's help to spread the word for this position. Ms. Brookshire asked for the support of the BMAAC members few initiative and concerns from the OAAA like, Faith-based groups discussion regarding joblessness and driver's license recovery. The office of African American Affairs offered their support in the mentorship initiatives mentioned today in conjunction with BMAAC.*

*The Mayor offered Ms. Brookshire to follow up with his office to work collaboratively with these initiatives.*

**9. Meeting adjourned at 11:56 AM**

**Joanna Polanco  
Staff Assistant**

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