

**HBCU Committee  
TELECONFERENCE**

**Monday 9 April 2018 (9AM EDT)**

**Committee Members Present:** Canon Martin Shaw (video, Chair); Dr. Joel Cunningham (video); Dr. Anita George (call); Canon Jamie Callaway (video); ; Dr. Eugene Lowe (video); Dr. Scott Evenbeck (call).

**Committee Members Absent:** Canon Michelle Hagans

**Others Present:** Mr. Kurt Barnes;(video); Ms. Tara Holley (video); Fr. Lang Lowery (call)

**The Chair** opened meeting with prayer.

**Consultant Lang Lowery** gave an update - the Rice Financial Report was submitted by St. Aug; St. Aug. did not make the Personnel changes last week as expected. (i.e. staff cuts, etc.); These are cuts that the Committee feels are very important. We were assured by Dr. Ward during Holy Week that they would be effective the following week;  
There are some questions that the Committee has for Dr. Ward before our Face to Face meeting in Raleigh;  
About 4.5 million dollars short and needed by August. Of this 4.5 million, the Consultant can see 1 million being realized from personnel cuts, 1 million from the Rice agreement. A possible 500,000.00 from fundraising. Where will remaining 2.5 million come to get through summer.

**Consultant Tara Holley** gave an update on fundraising.

- about 20,000 thousand raised from Absalom Jones Initiative. This will be divided among two schools. About 62 potential donors identified.
- Rev. Anita Byrd, Chaplain at St. Aug has 3 fundraisers planned at local churches.
- Dr. Ward and Fr. Fisher have plans to meet with a major donor this week.
- Fr. Leon (St. John's, D.C.) is planning an event in DC for potential donors in April
- Bishop Ann is willing to reach out to some local donors in the Diocese

We still do not have a very compelling story to give to donors. We must communicate that a BRIDGE is needed not a BAIL-OUT. Ms. Holley is awaiting communication from Dr. Ward to assist in this area.

There is a need to have a conversation with Dr. Ward before our Face to Face meeting in Raleigh. This will assist the HBCU Committee in framing its Agenda for that time together. A meeting has been scheduled with Dr. Ward, Fr. Shaw, Dr. Cunningham and Dr. Lowe in the next few days. Following that meeting, the full HBCU Committee will meet on Friday, April 13th.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 AM (EDT)

**NEXT MEETING OF HBCU COMMITTEE: Friday, April 13, 2018, 8:30 A.M. (EDT)**