COMMITTEE ON APPEAL FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

MINUTES (Unapproved) SEPTEMBER 9, 2000

Presiding: Lonnie King

The breakfast meeting was convened at the 10:25 AM

<u>Present:</u> Lonnie King, Mary Ann Sumral, Johnny Parham Anne Borders-Patterson, Charles Black, Gwendolyn Middlebrooks, John Smith,

Lonnie thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He indicated that efforts would be made to improve communications with everyone interested in working with the committee. It was decided that Gwen Middlebrooks would work with Joe Draper and Mary Ann Sumrall to summarize and distribute minutes of past and future meetings to members around the country.

Minutes from previous meeting: Unavailable for approval

The need for financial support was discussed. It was decided that each person would be asked to contribute at least \$100.00) per year (a contribution will be separated from a membership). Lonnie will write a cover letter for the minutes containing the rationale for soliciting funds. Additionally, the Constitution and Bylaws (approved at the last meeting) will be included in the mailing.

Lonnie indicated that the name of the organization must be registered and filed. It was suggested that we use Attorney Leroy Johnson for the 501C3. John Henry will be a great help because he has agreed to do everything free and he worked with Lonnie on the articles of incorporation. Charles Black will take a check to the secretary of State so we can get a tax ID number (as soon as possible) and also remove Anne's social security number from the account before the end of this year.

The committee discussed using a two tiered approach for teaching a Civil Rights History Course in the Atlanta University Center and in one public school. The following ideas were discussed: Seminars in the History Department, developing an interactive web page by January 2000, a curriculum that emphasizes the purpose of the Movement, getting a verbal commitment for classroom space in the Woodruff Library, setting up Distance Learning and transporting it to other colleges and universities (if it works in Atlanta), developing a course syllabus(start from an African American perspective and develop the course up to 1960, or emphasize milestones from 1619 to 2000), and requesting that the president of CAU talk to the council of Presidents to get the course ideas accepted.

It was decided that we should move slowly, confirm the course title, and develop a marketing package before we approach the AUC Presidents. It was also decided that we need to identify financial support because the estimated cost for starting this program would be \$25,000.00 per institution. Lonnie asked Anne to call Rosalyn Pope (from the Alumni Office) because she wants to be involved with the curriculum.

Treasurer's Report: Anne Borders-Patterson

Anne distributed copies of the bank statement and indicated that we have a balance of \$387.27. The report was accepted as information.

John Smith indicated that the committee will receive additional money from the sale of all T-shirts. It was decided that we need to trade mark everything and identify someone to monitor our activities and be the recipient of our records. Lonnie agreed to send a memo or letter indicating that everything is the property of the committee.

The next meeting (a working meeting) will be on November 18, 2000, at 2:00 P.M. in Kilgore Hall.

The meeting was adjourned

Gwendolyn H. Middlebrooks, Assistant Secretary