



Governor's Commission on Caribbean Affairs Commission Meeting

Virtual ZOOM [Link](#)
Thursday, September 5, 2024
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Agenda

I. Call to Order and Procedural Reminders

Curtis Ward, Chair, Governor's Commission on Caribbean Affairs

II. GOCI Opening Remarks

Aitza Haddad-Nunez, Administrative Director, Governor's Commission on Caribbean Affairs

III. Guest Speaker

Dr. Ayo Sekai, Founder and CEO of Universal Write Publications, an international social science publisher focused on Black and African-centered works

IV. Subcommittee Updates / Governor's Priorities

How to assess poverty determinants within the Caribbean community, to better understand child poverty factors and then explore an initiative that all Committees can work with?

- **Subcommittee – Governor's Priority – Leave No One Behind by ending child poverty in the State of Maryland**
 - a. *Health*
 - b. *Business/Economic Development*
 - c. *Education (Workforce Development)*
 - d. *Community (Arts/Culture/Faith)*

V. Old Business:

- *SustainForward Summer Series Report Discussion*

VI. New Business:

- *Updates on Caribbean American Voter Engagement – Opinion Poll Results*
- *Establishing a relationship with the Delaware African and Caribbean Affairs Commission c/o Chair Dr. Kelechi Lawrence*

VII. Adjournment: