



**NEW YORK STATE  
COMMUNITY  
COMMISSION ON  
REPARATIONS  
REMEDIES**

### **NYSCCRR Business Meeting**

Urban League of Rochester - 265 N Clinton Ave, Rochester, NY 14605

Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site - 29 Warburton Ave, Yonkers, NY 10701

Friday, January 9, 2026 | 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

### **Commissioners**

Dr. Seanelle Hawkins, Chair

Dr. Deborah D. Jenkins, Vice Chair

Linda Tarrant-Reid, Secretary

Jennifer Jones Austin, Esq., Treasurer

Lurie Daniel Favors, Esq.

Dr. Ron Daniels

Timothy R. Hogues

Linda Brown-Robinson

Dr. Darrick Hamilton

### **Business Meeting Agenda**

- 1. 12:00pm – 12:05pm      Call to Order - Dr. Seanelle Hawkins, Chair**
  - I. Welcome
  - II. Confirmation of Quorum
  
- 2. 12:05pm – 12:10pm      Approval of Minutes - Secretary Linda Tarrant-Reid**
  - I. April 10, 2025
  - II. August 1, 2025
  - III. October 24, 2025
  
- 3. 12:10pm – 12:15pm      Staff Updates**
  - I. Introduction of Melody Harkness – Operations Manager
  - II. Introduction of India Sneed-Williams, Esq. – General Counsel
  
- 4. 12:15pm – 12:30pm      Old Business**
  - I. Working definition of reparations
    - a. “Reparations is a process that authentically repairs and acknowledges the physical, cultural, psychological, mental, material, and/or physical destruction, injury, and/or harm of a people and/or society, including their identity. It

includes processes of repairing, healing, and restoring a people and society who were injured due to their group identity in violation of their fundamental human rights by governments, corporations, institutions, and/or individuals.”

II. Approved Timeline

- November 2025–May 2026: Active consultant work, public hearings, and business meetings.
- June 2026: Draft report due.
- July–August 2026: Commission review and feedback.
- September 2026: Final revisions and acceptance (majority vote).
- December 2026: Submission to Governor and Legislature.
- January–March 2027: Community education and advocacy on recommendations.

III. Commissioner Engagement and Subcommittees

<b>Subcommittee</b>	<b>Consultant / Role Supported</b>	<b>Commissioner Liaison</b>
Economist Subcommittee	Economist	Dr. Darrick Hamilton
Policy Subcommittee	Policy Analyst	Dr. Deborah D. Jenkins, Vice Chair
Historian Subcommittee	Historian	Linda Tarrant-Reid, Secretary
Public Education Subcommittee	Education Coordinator	Timothy R. Hogues
Legal Subcommittee	General Counsel	Lurie Daniel Favors, Esq.
Governance Subcommittee	Parliamentarian	Linda Tarrant-Reid, Secretary
Operations Coordination	Executive Director	Dr. Seanelle Hawkins, Chair
Communications and Outreach	Communications Support	Linda Tarrant-Reid, Secretary

**5. 12:30pm – 12:55pm      Presentation by Policy Studies Associates on the Framework for Reparations Final Report**

- I. Research Historian presentation
- II. Policy Analyst presentation

**6. 12:55pm – 1:10pm      Questions and Discussion – Commissioners and Policy Studies Associate**

**7. 1:10pm – 1:15pm      Hiring Updates**

- I. Executive Director – Dr. Seanelle Hawkins, Chair will provide updates
- II. Economist – Dr. Seanelle Hawkins, Chair will provide updates
- III. Education Coordinator – Dr. Seanelle Hawkins, Chair will provide updates

**8. 1:15pm – 2:00pm            New Business**

- I. Discussion of working definition of “harms” and research questions
- II. Upcoming Public Hearing on January 17, 2026 in Binghamton, NY
- III. NYSABPRHAL Caucus on February 14, 2026 in Albany, NY

**9. 2:00                            Adjournment**