

**MetroWest Commission on the Status of Women
Meeting Agenda
November 15, 2021
7:00 PM-8:30 PM**

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Opening of the Meeting

Approval of Meeting Minutes for: 9/22, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 10/28

Chair Update (Heather)

- A. Updates from the State Commission
- B. State Commission's November Public Hearing: Women in the Workforce has been scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 2021 from 6:00-8:00pm
- C. Please Complete Survey and Share within your Network
- D. Webinar on the Well-Being of Black and Other Transgender People of Color on November 17 from 2-3:30 PM

General Business Discussion

- A. Debrief the DV Month Events (10/7, 10/14 and 10/28)
- B. New Commissioners
- C. Review Attendance Policy for the Commission Meetings/Events
- D. Revisit Previous Work That Still Needs to be Completed (Community organizations in the MW to partner with)

Communications

- A. Update from Ceylan
- B. We will need a new Communications liaison following Ceylan's Departure. Any volunteers?
- C. Focus for November (Trans-Awareness and Remembrance Nov. 13-20, Women's Entrepreneurship Day Nov. 19, World AIDS Day Dec. 1, Human Rights Day Dec. 10)

Legislative

- A. Update from Nancy
- B. Where is the Healthy Youth Bill?
- C. What about Consent Bill? Any news on opportunity to offer testimony?

Athena Council (Rachel and Deirdre)

- A. Debrief DV Listening Circle from 10/21
- B. Update from recent meeting on November 7
- C. Climate Survey Update
- D. How can the Commission support the AC more effectively and vice versa?
- E. Question about New Addition to group

New Business

- A. Next Steps for DV work
- B. Officers for the 2022 Year—Do we want to select officers now so that they can shadow current officers for a month or two?

Adjourn

Commissioners: Heather Panahi (Chair), Stephanie Deeley (Co-Vice-Chair), Leslie Smart (Co-Vice-Chair), Jean Bertschmann (Secretary)--Absent, Ceylan Rowe, Nancy Rosenblum, Rachel Niemiec, Lindsey Galvao, Lisa MacDonald and Deirdre Belger (intern)