

MetroWest Commission on the Status of Women
Meeting Agenda
May 13, 2021
7:00 PM-8:30PM

Zoom Link:

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Opening of the Meeting

Approval of Meeting Minutes for: 4/15

Chair's Report (Heather)

1. Reminder: Advocacy Day will be held on Wednesday, May 19, 2021
2. Semi-Annual Convening of Regional Commissions

General Business Discussion (Heather)

1. Update on Grant Funding Request (languages the commissioners speak, printed materials)
2. Update from Recent Chairs' Meeting
3. Athena Council Forum on May 16, 2021

The Remainder of Tonight's Meeting Will be Dedicated to the Planning of Actionable Items/Steps Our Commission Will Take in the Next Several Months to Specifically Address Issues of Systemic Oppression and Racial Prejudice in the MetroWest

Proposed Actions:

1. A Letter to DA Ryan's Office Calling for Full Transparency and Communication During the Investigation Into Mikayla Miller's Death
2. Hosting a Public Forum to Highlight the Outreach and Support Organizations Available to Constituents who are BIPOC, AAPI, and LGBTQ+
3. Hosting an Upstander Training Session for Allies (Maybe on Juneteenth?)
4. Other Suggestions?

Upcoming Dates and Reminders

1. Advocacy Day 5/19
2. Next Commission Meeting is
3. Next Athena Council Meeting?

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)