

Abington HRC: February 2, 2022

Present: Shelley Rosenberg, Joanne Kleiner, Kristin, Chapin, Michele Cooper, Jeffrey Browne

Minutes from the January Meeting were approved.

Old Business:

Recap of MLK Day Interview: Jeffrey conducted the interview and did a terrific job. The discussion centered on the life and legacy of Dr. King, systemic racism in health care, and how Abington residents can be involved. Kristin will connect the recording to our Facebook page.

Panel Discussions:

We decided not to rush to present the discussion on Critical Race Theory during Black History Month, but rather to wait until we have the speakers we want and we've done a little research with other groups on days/times that have worked well. In light of the mood and events in the country, it will be relevant whenever we do it. Jeffrey is taking the lead on planning this program. We're thinking of having a panel of four people, representing a cross section of scholars, educators, people who are otherwise involved with this issue.

Michele shared that Tom Hasani is interested in participating in the panel on issues in the AAPI community, as is Michele's aunt, Teddy Yoshikini. This is probably take place in the spring.

Shelley spoke with Phoenix Schneider, an experienced trainer on LGBTQ+ issues, and he is willing to lead a program during Pride Month for us. More to be determined on this.

New Business:

Joanne has been in touch with members of the Jenkintown HRC, which was formed at the same time as Abington. However, they haven't been active but would like to partner with us on some programs. Joanne will look into this.

Next Meeting: Wed., March 2.