

Abington HRC Meeting: March 2, 2022

Present: Shelley Rosenberg, Joanne Kleiner, Rosemary Jenkins, Michele Cooper, Jeffrey Browne, Guest: Lisa Faden (Upper Dublin HRC)

Minutes of February meeting approved.

Official welcome to Michele who has been approved as an HRC member.

Old Business:

Other HRCs: Joanne and Rosemary met with members of both the Upper Dublin and Jenkintown HRCs. They both thank us for our help and advice and would both like additional help and to partner with us. We'll keep them informed about our programs so that they can publicize and attend them.

HRC members: Michele has been approved. The commissioners have found 2 candidates for the one open position. They will appoint one and the other will re-start our Ambassador program. Lori Schreiber will become our new liaison to the Board of Commissioners.

Programs: For each of our three programs, we will design a flier that will be sent to our Commissioners, to the Jenkintown, Upper Dublin, and other local HRCs (such as those in Tri-State. We will also put it on Facebook and the Abington calendar and website.

CRT: Jeffrey will take the lead on this program, which will take place on April 28 from 7-9 PM on Zoom. Jeffrey has already identified three panelists and he'll let us know how we can help.

LGBTQ+: Shelley will take the lead on this program, which will take place on either June (Pride Month) 23 (first choice) or 16. Shelley has identified a lead speaker/facilitator who will let her know which date works for him. We would like to put the focus on transgender people and the issues that have recently been in the forefront of the news. We also have several other local people, including parents and teens, who might be willing to be on a panel. The Abington Library hosts a meetup group for members of the Queer community and we'll be in touch with them. In the context of this discussion, we also agreed to put out a statement, which Joanne will write, concerning the recent laws in Texas and Florida that affect transgender people. Shelley will let us know how we can help.

AAPI: Michele will take the lead on this program, which will take place on October 20, and she has already identified two people, Tom Hasani and her aunt. She will let us know how we can help.

New Business:

Organization: We've decided to become more organized with the help of a project management mechanism called TRELLO. Michele will set it up this week and we will all sign on to it. That way, we'll all be able to keep track of our responsibilities and deadlines.

Date Changes: WE ARE CHANGING OUR APRIL MEETING TO THE 13TH AND OUR JUNE MEETING TO THE 8TH. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

Guest: Lisa Faden from U.D. thanked us for our help in getting their HRC off the ground. She commented that we've been an example of what to do and that they would like to work with us on some projects.