

Abington HRC: September 7, 2022

Present: Michele Cooper, Cheryl Rusten, Joanne Kleiner, Kistin Chapin, Rosemary Jenkins, Jeffrey Browne, Shelley Rosenberg

July minutes approved.

Old Business: Program for October 20.

We had discussed holding a special program about civil rights before the primary elections. Joanne discussed this with Commissioner Lori Schreiber and she reminded us that it must be tied to the ordinance that establishes the HRC. We spent a long time brain-storming possible speakers and decided that we will take until September 19 to find and contact speakers. If we can't find any by then, we'll drop the idea.

The topics we agreed on are: women's rights, voting rights, and LGBTQ rights. The speakers that we are going to contact are: Kadida Kenner (New Pa Project); John Inazu (Constitutional law professor); Rabbi Shoshana Tornberg (who may be able to recommend a speaker); Ifeoma Aduba (Bucks County Women's Advocacy Coalition). Joanne is contacting Rabbi Tornberg, Michele is contacting Professor Inazu, and Kristin is contacting Ms. Aduba and Ms. Kenner.

The title for the program is: What's Brewing in the State House and How That Could Affect Your Rights.

Program for MLK Day: We are planning to facilitate a virtual mural on MLK Day that will be painted somewhere TBD in the spring. More to come.

Michele has been planning an AAPI program for March 9 and has a panel in mind.

Next meeting: New Date – October 12.