

HRC Meeting Notes
June 13, 2019

Present: Kat Preftes, Peter Blaiwas, Thomas Getz, Jen Groskin, Ahmer Ibrahim, Margaret McQuillan, Eileen Ryan, Kathleen Shaw, Sheila Trieff
Student Reps: Camille Gimbrere, Rose Robinson

1. Review and Acceptance of April 11, 2019 and May 9, 2019 meeting minutes
2. Discussion re: measles outbreak and it's impact on prejudicial comments and feelings
3. **PRIDE** updates: Movie at NPL, Celluloid Closet 6/17. Peter helped NPL develop their programming. Peter will write a piece for "As I See It" column
Further discussion on NPR program about "Drag Queen Prom" and discussion whether helping support an alternative prom would be of interest to the Commission.
Suggestion for Rainbow Crosswalk (s)- this will be pursued with Mayor, Council, Public Safety
Coming up in August 31, 9 am, Boston: Fight Supremacy "Hands Off Our Pride"
4. **Suitcase Stories**- Firehouse sounds as though they may be interested.
5. **Holocaust Memorial** Event- review of April program at FH.
6. Review of 6/6/19 meeting with Superintendent Sean Gallagher and NHS Principal Andrew Wulf, and a subsequent meeting with Mayor Holaday.
7. Review of April's **Peace Prize Event**- How can this be advertised better in schools for parents and faculty, can we get faculty to "think Peace-Prize" at the beginning of the school year, work on flow of attendees coming to event.
8. Review of May's **Iftar Event**- well received and wonderful discussion. Next time let's video. Robert Aziz is speaking at NPL, 9/10/19 at 7 pm
9. Know Your Neighbor (KYN)- Peter B. presented a collection of steps to put into place in order to present the KYN work in a multi-media event. Discussion around use of the FH gallery, funding for or borrowing monitors, arty banners, contacting Sarah Hayden at Port Media, we'll need to contact funding

sources, find ten or so themes in the existing video s that might be developed. All this and more to be taken up at KYN subcommittee meeting Thursday, July 11 at 6 pm., Senior Center. (Volunteers: Peter, Kat, Ahmer, Tom, Margaret, Kathleen and Sheila)

10. Kat is stepping off HRC in February 2020 and suggested a new chair start in September 2019. It was determined that Ahmer will become Chair and Peter will become Vice Chair effective September 1, 2019. (Kat will continue working with the writing group.) Roll call was taken and the votes were unanimous.
11. Tom and Peter will represent HRC at the UU Social Justice Group.
12. Meeting adjourned.