

October 11, 2018
HRC Meeting Minutes

Attendance: T. Getz, J. Groskin, A. Ibrahim, R. Kaur, H. Kubat, M. McQuillan, K. Preftes, K. Shaw, S. Trieff, M. Willis-Goode

Guest: Robert Campbell, writer for The Daily News "As I See It" column,

Meeting called to order

Robert Campbell, guest, introduced himself.

Minutes from September 13, 2018, approved.

Check In:

*Kathleen - provides counseling at our local pregnancy program, HopeWell House. She is concerned about the challenges faced by residents as they go to Newburyport High School. Many residents are women of color who feel marginalized in the school corridors, and are not participating in the community.

Kat will address this in her meeting with the new NHS principal and Superintendent, to be arranged

*Sheila- reported on a film from Nbpt Doc Film Fest, "The Most Dangerous Year," by Vlada Knowlton. This film covers the attempt to repeal transgender rights in Washington State.

*Margaret- requested follow-up on bus incident reported last month

*Matt- update on Clergy Association

Question whether the clergy group will make Ballot 3 statements.

New Business

*Transgender Protection, Ballot Question #3, Voting YES keeps protections in place.

HRC Letter to Editor published 10/11/18. Kat & Tom met with Richard Lodge, editor, about follow-up letters.

Ahmer I. and Lucas Phipps presented at City Council, support for reinforcing and supporting transgender rights.

Today's letter will be linked to HRC Facebook page.

*Know Your Neighbor

There have been several successful KYN efforts with NHS volunteer students at Market Basket and Richdale's, downtown area. The KYN on Bartlett Mall had a technical glitch- (bee interference!)

Peter B. reports that participation of Opportunity Works and Turning Point will require a more thorough release form from the HRC than we will from them. We will need to work carefully with them to craft such the release forms.

Joanne Morris (Nbpt Documentary Film Festival) will meet with us next Thursday, 10/18 at 6 pm at the Library to look at film footage with HRC members.

Jen G. will check with NHS Gay Straight Alliance availability for KYN interviews.

Follow-ups with other potential sites for KYN, along with dates 10/19 and 10/26 for downtown filming.

*Other

Margaret M. suggested we each have a brief bio available for HRC members.

Student Subcommittee meeting Sunday, 10/14, Shawn F will be available.

Follow-up re: conversation with woman who participated in KYN and was having some economic and housing issues.

Meeting adjourned