Town of West Hartford Human Rights Commission Mission Statement

"The West Hartford Human Rights Commission fosters mutual understanding and respect among people, and encourages equality of treatment of all people, regardless of race, color, religious creed, sex, sexual orientation, civil union status, gender identity or expression, marital status, familial status, genetic information, age, economic status, lawful source of income, national origin or ancestry, veteran status, or present or past history of physical, mental, intellectual or learning disability including, but not limited to blindness."

DRAFT Minutes

Town of West Hartford Human Rights Commission West Hartford Town Hall 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, 2019 Room 217

Attendance

Krishna Adhikari	Present
Pramod Pradhan, Administrative Liaison	Present
Sarah Raskin, Co-Chair	Present
Barry Walters, Co-Chair	Present
Denise Jackson-Riley	Present
Brian Greenleaf, Secretary	Present

The meeting was called to order at 7:08pm by Chairs Barry Walters and Sarah Raskin.

Approval of February 5, 2019 meeting minutes

Tabled, pending distribution by Brian.

Updates

Annual police report

Barry will reach out to the new police chief to set up a meeting.

Town of Compassion calendar and awards

Sarah will coordinate with Pramod and the town regarding the calendar. The title is proposed as the Human Rights Commission - Compassion Award.

Sarah states that we'll send it out in May and September, for October 1st submission. Barry suggests running it through the Town Council.

High School Athlete agreement and Student Conduct

Sarah reports that the administration through Tom Moore is working on it and will have something by the end of the year.

June Stonewall event

Barry states he's reached out to Delmar Hotel and has not heard back and will plan to stop in.

Discussion of alternative locations is had, including the library.

The group decides that June 27th would be the target date for the event.

The group talks about different speakers for the event. Barry will take the lead to talk with local leaders to find a few good event.

Old Business

CEDAW (Convention on Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women)
Sarah states that Shari Cantor has charged Beth Kerrigan with setting up the structure to move this forward, potentially through the Human Services Committee.

Setting annual budget and fiscal requests

Brian will put together the spreadsheet for review this week. Denise will send her research to Brian. The request will be sent through Shari Cantor and Matt Hart.

Hackathon

Brian will put together a framework for the next meeting for the group to discuss.

New Business

Logo

The group discusses the potential logo combinations. The group will ask the designer to provide a couple of variations on a few designs, mindful that the designer is a volunteer.

Flyer

The group discusses the proposed flyer for paper, font, design, logos. Pramod states that human rights awareness color is orange.

Other

A quick discussion of the current vacancies (3) is held.

Sarah mentions Gun Violence prevention day in June and quickly states that last year there was a mayoral proclamation.

Pramod discusses the census committee chaired by Matt and Shari and that the Human Rights Commission can have a role in promoting the Census to residents.

Next Meeting, Tuesday, April 2, 2019, room 217

Adjournment

Sarah moved to adjourn the meeting and this was seconded by Denise. The meeting was officially adjourned by Barry Walters at 8:22 pm.