

**MetroWest Commission on the Status of Women**  
**Meeting Agenda**  
**May 13, 2021**  
**7:00 PM-8:30PM**

**Zoom Link:**

<https://zoom.us/j/98236062173?pwd=bks1SCtY2lNTGN3aUp5V2ljTHQyQT09>

Meeting ID: 982 3606 2173  
Passcode: 319871

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**Opening of the Meeting**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes for: 4/15**

**Chair's Report** (Heather)

1. Reminder: Advocacy Day will be held on Wednesday, May 19, 2021
2. Semi-Annual Convening of Regional Commissions

**General Business Discussion** (Heather)

1. Update on Grant Funding Request (languages the commissioners speak, printed materials)
2. Update from Recent Chairs' Meeting
3. Athena Council Forum on May 16, 2021

**The Remainder of Tonight's Meeting Will be Dedicated to the Planning of Actionable Items/Steps Our Commission Will Take in the Next Several Months to Specifically Address Issues of Systemic Oppression and Racial Prejudice in the MetroWest**

**Proposed Actions:**

1. A Letter to DA Ryan's Office Calling for Full Transparency and Communication During the Investigation Into Mikayla Miller's Death
2. Hosting a Public Forum to Highlight the Outreach and Support Organizations Available to Constituents who are BIPOC, AAPI, and LGBTQ+
3. Hosting an Upstander Training Session for Allies (Maybe on Juneteenth?)
4. Other Suggestions?

**Upcoming Dates and Reminders**

1. Advocacy Day 5/19
2. Next Commission Meeting is
3. Next Athena Council Meeting?

## **Adjourn**

Commissioners: Heather Panahi (Chair), Stephanie Deeley (Co-Vice-Chair), Leslie Smart (Co-Vice-Chair), Jean Bertschmann (Secretary)--Absent, Ceylan Rowe, Nancy Rosenblum, Rachel Niemiec, Lindsey Galvao, Lisa MacDonald and Deirdre Belger (intern)