

## MINUTES

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 7:36 pm.

### 2. ROLL CALL

Present: Karen Lapuk, Livia Daggett, Glenn Mitoma, Jane Fried, Barbara Vaughan

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 1, 2021

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved on consensus.

### 4. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Updates on Outreach Opportunities

Ms. Fried brought up the possibility of exploring the Witness Stones program. Dr. Mitoma shared that he was invited to a meeting of the Hamden HRC that hopes to form a network of Connecticut human rights commissions.

#### B. Discussion of Revised Copy of Survey

Members discussed a version of the draft survey. They pointed out that perhaps getting a survey out and beginning to collect data and thoughts from community members is more important than spending many meetings seeking the 'perfect survey.' They also considered the possibility of conducting less formal interviews with stakeholders in the community (faith leaders, schools, etc.), rather than a formal survey. Members then

deliberated around which parts of the community to reach out to and what basic questions to pose during these informal interviews. The consensus seemed to be that data collection or a survey needs to be a thoughtful and long-term project, whereas getting the word out about our group and forming relationships needs to happen soon. Members decided to begin making phone calls to reach out to community members with brief information about the commission and an invitation to bring their concerns to future meetings.

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was discussed.

**6. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comment was made.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm.