



Human Relations Commission Meeting Minutes
June 1, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:03. Present: Roberta Swafford, Leslie Ohta, Sherri Tanguay, Isabel Rolfe, Kevin Kuzia, Neil Griffin and David O'Connor. Jay Tulin attended as a visitor.

1. Approval of Minutes of March 2, 2020, with one change. Jay Tulin is chair of the Farmington Human Relations Commission, not the Farmington Human Rights Commission. The minutes were unanimously approved following this one amendment.
2. Substituting for the Chairperson's report, Jay Tulin spoke about plans for a forum of Human Relations and Human Rights Commissions across the state which is scheduled for June 24 to share ideas among the various organizations. Commission members were invited to participate.
3. Recruitment Report. Sherri presented an update on recruiting activity for the first two months of the last quarter of the current fiscal year.
4. Youth and Family Services Report. Sherri presented the report on various projects undertaken by the agency on behalf of Lori LaCapra who was not able to make the meeting. She noted that 38% of new hires are female and 23% are Black or Hispanic.
5. Glastonbury MLK Community Initiative Report. David spoke of a recent Community Conversation on affordable housing that was held on May 10. No other events have yet been scheduled for 2021. David noted that GMLKCI events during 2021 have so far been presented via Zoom and attendance has risen substantially in comparison to previous years.
6. Housing Authority Report. Neil updated Commission members on the activities related to affordable housing.
7. New business. Consideration of the meeting dates for 2022 has been postponed to the next meeting in September. That meeting will be held in person; Sherri will work on a location.
8. Old business. Efforts to finalize selection of a consultant to work on the affirmative action plan are in the final stages and should be completed by the end of June. There are currently three firms providing quotes for the project.
9. The next meeting will be held on June 7, 2021.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 6:49.

Respectfully submitted by David O'Connor