



Cambridge Human Rights Commission

Meeting

Thursday, May 5, 2016 6:00 P.M.

51 Inman Street, 2nd Flr. Large Conference Room

Chanta Bhan, Chair

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Public comment
3. Review and approval of March minutes
4. Executive Director's Report
5. March meeting follow up:
 - Scheduled presentation from Shelly Chevalier [Continuum of Care (COC) for the Homeless] for May mtg
 - CLC presentations – feedback? [see [doc 1](#) and [doc 2](#)]
 - Rise in sexual assaults at Harvard U – role for CHRC? [[email 1](#) and [email 2](#)]?]
 - Collaboration with local efforts @ Islamophobia/Xenophobia in Cambridge
 - Nicole Horton from DHSP's Inclusion Initiative available to speak @ June mtg @ IEPs use for after-school programs
 - Shannon Erwin from Muslim Justice League to speak on DHS's "Countering Violent Extremism" program [see related links in [email](#) and attachments: [doc 1](#), [doc 2](#), [doc 3](#)]
– timing of presentation
 - Review and consider proposed state legislation for possible support letters (transgender anti-discrimination; pay equity); review draft letters if available
6. New Business:
 - Discuss summer scheduling & date of September mtg
 - 9th Annual Fresh Pond Day: 6/11/16 from 11- 3 – outreach tabling opportunity – volunteers?

- Possible HUD partnership funds for revision/translation of housing outreach materials [consider proposed revisions in a subcommittee?]
- Invite co-founder of Y2Y shelter to speak about creating a welcoming gender neutral environment? – When?
- January mtg Commissioner topics raised for further consideration:
 - Debt-bondage in Cambridge immigrant community – more info needed
 - How to navigate Cambridge Housing programs with Section 8 Vouchers
- Forward CHRC letter about “An Act to protect access to confidential healthcare” to Chronicle?

7. Outreach Subcommittee

- CHRC presentation materials – review & reconsider
- Fair housing brochure revisions