



CAMBRIDGE COMMISSION
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Monthly Women's Commission Meeting

February 12, 2020

Minutes

Present: Pauline, Susan, Srin, Pamela, Kimberly, Emily

Black History Month and Women's History Month events

Commissioners reviewed the calendar of events for the winter and spring. Pauline shared that the Cambridge Police Department was receiving an in-service training on "Historical Injustices in Present Policy" and all officers will be looking at civil rights, history of social justice, and the restorative justice project.

Emily will send the calendar of events electronically so that that commissioners can share.

Commission training with Charline Alexander updates

The Commission received funding for Charline Alexander and Darnell Thigpin Williams to facilitate a commission conversation about racial justice, unconscious bias, group norms, etc. internally. Barbara, Pauline, Susan, and Golnaz will have a conversation with the facilitators in the coming weeks to give input on how best to use our time together. Commissioners affirmed their interest in this type of training and discussed the importance of keeping the conversation going, and the momentum, beyond the trainings.

New Business

There was a recommendation for two recent documentaries that are worth a watch.

Just Mercy: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Just_Mercy

Harriet: <https://www.rogerebert.com/reviews/harriet-movie-review-2019>