

Clinton Advisory Committee on Human Rights
September 28, 2021

Committee Members:

Amanda Corcoran
Ava Crayton
Laurie Jaffe
Natalie Jones
David Mellilo
Brendan Saunders
Tom Shultz
Caitlin Turner

(* indicates absent from meeting)

Guests Present:

N/A

Meeting begun at 7:11 p.m. via Zoom

Approval of August Minutes

Laurie approved.
Amanada seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of by laws - Ava Crayton

Ava notes that there should be no obstacles and that we should submit to town council for approval of any specific acts that require a monetary sum.
Natalie approved.
Caitlin seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion/approval CHRC - Clinton Human Rights Committee identity/logo

Tom discussed the ideas and symbolism of the proposed logo including reasons for employing an equal sign in the CHRC logo.
Motion passed unanimously.

Status of relationship with Clinton Public Schools

Tom contacted the Superintendent; Leslie Chausse is the adviser for the Human Rights group at the high school, and will coordinate finding candidates to apply for this committee to be non-voting members.
Amanda mentioned that Abby Roccapriore, PTA president, wants to work with this committee.
Amanda will be the coordinator for our education sector.

Discuss of Targets/Goals

Tom will get things set up as our social media coordinator since he has a background in graphic design, but future coordinators will have to go through Ava or Tom to ensure that what is being posted is allowed.

Natalie volunteered to be the social media coordinator.

Tom seconded.

Once we can get the high school students involved, we might be able to get them to take on the Tiktok platform.

Ava proposes that Tiktok might need moderating.

Laurie seconded.

Tom notes that we will not be utilizing the Town website as our sole communicator.

In terms of money, Tom proposed we utilize some messages to put around the town to get funding. We need to find someone who is good at business to help with sponsorship.

Amanda proposed that we need to include a mission statement in order to help find sponsors. Natalie proposed that we need a slogan to identify ourselves. We will brainstorm ideas.

Caitlin seconded.

Tom nominated Brendan to be a part of something similar to StoryCorps. Amanda is in favor of this idea.

Tom proposed we should do a Human Rights Day celebration in collaboration with Morgan. Will have storytellers and musicians. Ava is in favor of this idea for next year. Natalie will research Clinton's history with human rights.

Amanda has an interest in Health Equity and wants to reach out to Deep River to network with marketing to spread information about vaccines and other health-care related issues.

Next Steps?

We will brainstorm ideas for our slogan.

David will look into grants for funding.

Amanda proposed we set up a tent during the November election to network with the public. Tom nominated Amanda to be the coordinator and asked her to help find people who would sit at this table.

Natalie seconded.

Research school demographics and food and housing security in Clinton. Tom proposes that we might be able to find this information through the school system. Laurie wants to be a part of this conversation as she has done prior research on this. She will email David about this.

We will find out if there is a town translator for Spanish speakers. Will need to reach out to the Latinx community. Tom nominates himself to reach out. Caitlin notes that she is proficient in Spanish, but would appreciate another individual to give aid. David proposes that we should get a Spanish speaker on the community board. Natalie seconded.

Adjournment

Tom proposes to adjourn the meeting.

Ava seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Caitlin Turner

Secretary