



RUTHERFORD CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION MINUTES – June 15 2022

Topic: Rutherford Civil Rights Commission’s Meeting

Beverly Khan Pal	Matt Cokeley (Council Liaison) – absent
Steve Way	Jessica Warren Frazier
Renjith Pillai	Sam Riviello - absent
Alcides Aguasvivas	Lauren Caliolio
Shefali Pilar	
Ginny Perrin - absent	
Christie Del Rey-Cone	
Mark Tenn - absent	
Lori Rosario-Griffin - absent	
Jessica Lezcano - absent	
Paul Frazier	
Sami Abuauad	
Esther Gatria	

*Present – highlighted

- Sunshine Law read by Steve Way
- Meeting called to order at 6:40pm
- May 2022 minutes reviewed and approved – accepted by Beverly, seconded Esther
- Janel Owens – Beverly’s contact at Felician who will work with us on the multicultural festival and the poster contests
- Training (Paul)
 - Virtual training available
 - NJoag.gov : <http://wpadmin-prd.njoag.gov/about/divisions-and-offices/division-on-civil-rights-home/education-and-training-unit/etu-trainings/>
 - Each attendee must be on separate device, register individually
 - Paul will reach out to them again to determine dates/times
 - Esther will try one of the training sessions
- Pride Recap

- 138 cards were completed at the advocacy table
- It was such a easy, small idea that made such a great impact in the community.
- It would have been nice to hand out multicultural event flyers and have rainbow t-shirts
 - Shirts needed for multicultural festival
- Multicultural Festival
 - Food trucks (Mark) – confirmed the food trucks and will manage getting the paperwork ready with the Board of Health
 - Raffle license (Lauren) – working on the application
 - Filipino dance/martial arts (Lauren) – dates are being coordinated
 - We need weekly meetings to organize the event – possibly Mondays
 - June 27th 6:30pm Alcides Office, in person (40 Park Avenue, 3rd Floor)
 - June 20th 8pm ZOOM
 - Do we want to get vendors like in past years or just keep it simple like last year
 - Vendors - \$15 per table
 - Discussion about whether vendors were necessary or not
 - Renjith – in the past there was a Vendor Chair who coordinated them
 - There were approximately 20 vendors in the past
 - Vendor committee – Christie, Lori, Esther
 - Paul/Mark/Jessica – music and production
 - Beverly – working with Borough with regards to admin side
 - Ginny – finance
 - Alcides/Shefali – advertisement/sponsorship/marketing
 - Sending out sponsorship letters (having a tear off page so they can mail it back with the check)
- Juneteenth
 - We are not partnering with the Church this year and it is a bit late to partner with the University
 - If each commissioner would read something and video tape it, he would air it on social media on Monday
 - Our goals is to acknowledge the day and educate people as to what Juneteenth is
 - There may not be enough time to take care of this
- Historic Preservation Committee (Lauren)
 - Proposed for our two groups to work together to develop a Thematic District
 - This requires application through the county
 - HPC would start by acknowledging the 4 houses that would be involved/recognized and they would also search out descendants
 - HPC just wants the RCRC to be there as support
- Meeting called to close at 7:41pm