**MetroWest Commission on the Status of Women**

**Meeting Agenda**

**January 31, 2022**

**7:00 PM-8:30 PM**

**McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room**

**Water Street**

**Framingham, MA 01701**

*All Meetings are Open to the Public*

**Opening of the Meeting**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes for:** 12/2021

**Chair Update (Heather and Stephanie)**

1. Updates from the State Commission
2. Women in the Workforce Survey
3. Grant Application status

**General Business Discussion**

1. New Commissioners
2. Interview comments from those involved
3. Decision on who we submit to the state Commission as our preferred candidates

B. Discussion on having Athena Council host our Facebook and Instagram pages – they will submit some ideas for what they would like to do

C. Plans for Black History Month (February)

D. Set a Date/Location for Official ‘Goodbye’ to Nancy and Ceylan

**Communications**

1. Discussion on how to handle Communications responsibilities
2. Spreadsheet of contacts - updates

**Legislative**

1. February 2nd is the last day for bills to be moved out of committees for discussion the floor – update from Lindsey
2. Prison Moratorium bill actions (Stephanie)

**Athena Council** (Rachel and Deirdre)

1. Updates since our December Meeting
2. Climate Survey Update
3. Process for filling council openings

**New Business**

1. Setting dates through June and assigning location scouts
2. Schedule a retreat for late February/early March? Should we wait for new Commissioners to be appointed?
3. Date for legislative ice cream social?
4. Discussion of 2022 mission – should we wait for new Commissioners to finalize this discussion?

**Old and New Business: A Conversation**

1. An open discussion about the year ahead.

1. How can we be more engaged with one another and with our constituents?

2. Benchmarks to hit?

3. Monthly News Letter?

**Adjourn**

Commissioners: Heather Panahi (Chair), Stephanie Deeley (Co-Chair), Leslie Smart (Vice-Chair), Lisa MacDonald (Secretary), Lindsey Galvo (Legislative Chair), Jean Bertschmann, Rachel Niemiec, and Deirdre Belger (intern)