



**West Norriton Township Human Relations Commission**  
Meeting Minutes  
Feb 23, 2023

The West Norriton Township Human Relations Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Feb 23, 2023, by Joan Wurzel.

**Present:** Joan Wurzel, Walt Smith, Anne Pavone, Harma Ellens, Dwayne Mosier.

**Apologies:** Avery Manning.

**Minutes:** January 2023 meeting minutes accepted.

Karen Hayman and Shelly Wilson resigned from the HRC.

**Old Business**

- a) **MEI scorecard:** The MEI score card is ready for submission pending some information from Jason Bobst.
- b) **Movie Festival update:** The movie ‘Cowboys’ will be shown on Thursday April 20, 2023. Monica D’Antonio will moderate the discussion.
- c) **Ordinance to outlaw conversion therapy:** Joan prepared a draft ordinance and send it to our lawyer for review.
- d) **Posts to Facebook:** Posts were made for Black History Month – Next month we honor Women’s History Month
- e) **LCD screen:** Black History Month was done – Will submit Women’s History Month LCD
- f) **More training:** Invitation extended to the Chief of Police to find out about their training on discrimination. The Chief requested written questions before we set a date.
- g) **Report to the Board of Commissioners:** Joan will report on HRC accomplishments at their meeting on April 4, 2023.

**New Business:**

- a) **Complaints received:** none
- b) **Invitation extended to Superintendent Chris Dormer (NASD) to liaise with the Cultural Proficiency and Equity Student Ambassadors program.**
- c) **West Norriton Day:** Hand out tote bags (as of April 22 no plastic bags from stores in West Norriton)

**Public Comments:** none

### **Ongoing Action items**

Get details for March 5 Tri-state HRC zoom meeting attendance (Joan)

Set up HRC meeting with Police (Anne)

Learn more about the Student Ambassadors program at the Norristown Area High School (all)

Review draft anti-conversion therapy ordinance and provide comments to Joan (all)

Prepare list of questions for discussion with Police Chief (all)

### **Completed Actions**

Prepare MEI score submission (Harma)

Prepare draft anti-conversion therapy ordinance (Joan)

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday March 23, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

**Minutes submitted by:** Harma Ellens.