



# Town of Ashland

## MASSACHUSETTS

### MetroWest Commission on the Status of Women

#### Meeting Agenda

May 13, 2021

7:00 PM-8:30PM

#### Zoom Link:

<https://zoom.us/j/98236062173?pwd=bks1SCtYlY2INTGN3aUp5V2ljTHQyQT09>

Meeting ID: 982 3606 2173

Passcode: 319871

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#### Opening of the Meeting

#### Approval of Meeting Minutes for: 4/15

#### Chair's Report (Heather)

1. Reminder: Advocacy Day will be held on Wednesday, May 19, 2021
2. Semi-Annual Convening of Regional Commissions

#### General Business Discussion (Heather)

1. Update on Grant Funding Request (languages the commissioners speak, printed materials)
2. Update from Recent Chairs' Meeting
3. Athena Council Forum on May 16, 2021

#### The Remainder of Tonight's Meeting Will be Dedicated to the Planning of Actionable Items/Steps Our Commission Will Take in the Next Several Months to Specifically Address Issues of Systemic Oppression and Racial Prejudice in the MetroWest

#### Proposed Actions:

1. A Letter to DA Ryan's Office Calling for Full Transparency and Communication During the Investigation Into Mikayla Miller's Death
2. Hosting a Public Forum to Highlight the Outreach and Support Organizations Available to Constituents who are BIPOC, AAPI, and LGBTQ+
3. Hosting an Upstander Training Session for Allies (Maybe on Juneteenth?)
4. Other Suggestions?

#### Upcoming Dates and Reminders

1. Advocacy Day 5/19
2. Next Commission Meeting is
3. Next Athena Council Meeting?



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## Adjourn

Commissioners: Heather Panahi (Chair), Stephanie Deeley (Co-Vice-Chair), Leslie Smart (Co-Vice-Chair), Jean Bertschmann (Secretary)--Absent, Ceylan Rowe, Nancy Rosenblum, Rachel Niemiec, Lindsey Galvao, Lisa MacDonald and Deirdre Belger (intern)