

## Pride Subcommittee Meeting Notes 5/2/2022

Present: Benny Wheat, Daniela Nedbalek, Eileen Rooney, Yana Herzog (youth council liaison)

1. Call to order and attendance
  - a. Meeting called to order at 6:03pm
2. Flag raising
  - a. "This is Me"
    - i. The 7th graders will be in NYC from June 1-3, so they won't be able to participate. The chorus person will try the 8th graders to see if any of them want to/can participate. The chorus director himself will not be able to be there either.
    - ii. If this music act doesn't work out, are there other options we could look into? The acapella group? Eileen is continuing to reach out to people
  - b. Speakers
    - i. Yana reached out to a young person who's interested in speaking: Olivia Danenberg.
  - c. Advertising: put signs etc. about 2 weeks out in local businesses
  - d. Location:
    - i. The Library Board of Trustees is voting tomorrow about raising the Juneteenth and Pride flags.
    - ii. The Supreme Court decided today in the Shurtliff case, which could prompt the town council to close the door on raising any flags other than the US flag and POW/MIA flag on any town-owned flagpoles
    - iii. Privately owned flagpoles we could ask about if necessary: UU Church, Congregational Church, Episcopal Church, Fernald Field? (or one of the softball fields)
  - e. Youth input:
    - i. Yana is going to ask in the youth council meeting tomorrow. Eileen will email Catherine Dhingra to share what we're planning so that Yana can follow up in the meeting tomorrow
3. Concert 6/19/22
  - a. Vendors
    - i. Sherri Dalton at the town said "each vendor that plans on attending the event will need to apply in the portal. If they are planning on having a tent, there will be a tent cost. If they are planning on having food they will need to apply for a temporary food permit."
    - ii. What about other groups that are not vendors, like NAGLY, Gay 4 Good, and Wicked Queer, orgs like that?
    - iii. Daniela approached the Dollhouse salon in Wakefield to do tinsel extensions, they're interested.
    - iv. Benny will reach back out to the Town to see if having non-vendor groups/people would be allowed under our permit
  - b. ASL interpreter
    - i. Benny's working on it

- c. If the restrictions from the Town are too much, would we be interested in doing the whole event at the UU church instead since we'd have more freedom?
    - i. Benny will reach out to Elizabeth to see if we can see the space at some point in the next week or two
- 4. Panel
  - a. Yana has been following up with some people over the weekend. Will get back to us
  - b. For mid-age range there are various people in town who we could reach out to. Benny will reach out to a few
- 5. Matters not anticipated
  - a. Flags and stickers - Daniela will follow up with getting a couple different kinds of flags (the progress ones, trans pride) and some generic pride stickers
  - b. Daniela will re-send the profiles of trans leaders to put on our FB page
- 6. Adjourn
  - a. Adjourned 7:13pm