

Needham Human Rights Committee Minutes

September 19, 2013

7:30 PM

Broadmeadow School Conference Room

In attendance: Marlene Schultz, Nathan Rosin, Olly Harari, Cynthia Ganung, John Schlittler, Abdul Cader Asmal, Ashok Mehta, Amelia Klein

The meeting was called to order by co-chair Amelia Klein.

1. **Minutes** of the June 2013 meeting were approved as presented.

2. Old Business

Fall Event: Spotlight on Human Rights

Amelia will prepare the flyer and be in contact with the library. We will publicize the event to teachers and specific groups at the high school. News from the Hill – the newsletter that is sent to parents. We will also contact local media, put something on both Town and NHRC websites, email to clergy, League of Women Voters. Marlene will contact the speaker for her bio and a photo.

It was decided to have refreshments at 7 in order for people to gather and socialize and have the program begin at 7:30.

Amelia presented an excellent brochure entitled “What are Human Rights.” The group decided that it would be a good to pass out to people. The cost is \$75 for 100 copies. We will ask the Town to buy it for us.

Committee membership: Nathan knows another high school senior who is interested in the work of the committee. Nathan will invite him to attend the next meeting. Abdul has a neighbor he will contact.

Webpage: Ashok will contact Sandy Cincotta to see how we can add more content to our webpage.

Brochure: Nathan made a very nice draft of a new brochure, which we would like to have the Town copy and fold in time for distribution at the Diversity Summit and at our fall event. Nathan will send second draft to Marlene and Amelia for final approval.

3. Reports:

Diversity Summit: We are co-sponsoring the event – everyone was encouraged to attend the event and to register. Abdul is the keynote speaker. Amelia and Nathan are working on the Summit and they are very excited about the quality of the program and the break out sessions. We will have a table at the entrance publicizing who we are and what we do.

4. Other

Worst of the Worst: The film is being shown at Northeastern. We should be proud of the fact that we showed it first in Massachusetts.

Scheduling of Recorders:

Nov. 21 Cynthia

Dec. 19 Ollie

Jan. 16 Nathan

Feb. 27

Mar. 20

Apr. 17

May 15

June 19

Next meeting: October 17, 2013

Recorder: Amelia