

Somerville Commission for Women

Regular Meeting

January 21, 2020

7:00pm

Cross Street Center

165 Broadway

Present:

Maggie Norcross Devin
Stephanie Galaitsi
Fabia Oliveira
Deborah Lormeus
Crystal Turner

Absent:

Holly Fox

Guests:

Staff Members in Attendance: Jennifer Mancia

Meeting Called to Order:

Meeting was called to order by Stephanie Galaitsi at 7:10pm and seconded Maggie Norcross Devin

Previous Minutes:

September and October meeting minutes were approved based on motion made by Stephanie Galaitsi and seconded by Maggie Norcross Devin.

Year Long Planning:

Framing vision – providing something of value to the community, resources to the community, amplify work done by city participating in election and census, work bipartisan and help with voter registration and census participation, teaching women about finance, financial literacy, economic empowerment, resources for women coming into the community, housing, temporary housing, healthcare, developing a women’s center, including free therapies, childcare, courses, book clubs, safe haven during transition

Calendar:

February – SomerPromise Informational session (TBD)

March – Book Club, Co-Chair nominations,

April – Co-Chair vote,

Separate event in April -Imposter Training (TBD)

May -Housing Stability (TBD)

August –National Night Out Tabling

April – Potential Imposter syndrome training (potentially use Cross St or Library)

Tasks:

Crystal Turner will research financial literacy and economic empowerment programs. Jennifer Mancia will contact Somerstat- breakdown for election, women of color, gender, where does this information lie, any election data that is interesting, SomerBaby to speak on programs, Housing Stability also to speak on programs provided.

Fabia will look into fundraiser for Women's Commission/ Fabia will talk to Flatbread.

Joint conversation with Respond (TBD)

Deborah – researching information from Women's Center

Crystal research financial literacy courses

Brochure add logo of Women's Commission – Fabia will update Brochure

Remove Subcommittee meetings when public is attending

Late Agenda Items:

None

Adjourned:

Based on a motion made by Stephanie8:33, the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 by Maggie Norcross Devin.