

Abington Human Relations Commission

July 10, 2019

Abington Night Out

We will be in attendance, with pens, brochures, candy, etc. We are announcing our presence there on our Facebook page. Attendance at Night Out is in place of our regular August meeting.

Dollar Store Incident

After discussion, we put a post on our Facebook page expressing our disappointment and dismay at the incident and explaining that the HRC can help with community education and outreach. We had additional discussion that we would still like to conduct community dialogues on inclusion and implicit bias. Although we had training from Suzanne Buchanan (DOJ) several years ago, we would like to see if she (or someone else) can provide additional training, especially since we have several new members. Shelley will attempt to reach out to her and to Dept. Sup. Kelley Warner (Abington Police) to see what our police department thinks about such incidents. Shelley will also attempt to connect with Jeff Fletcher (Abington Public Schools) to see whether the District would be interested in having the HRC provide a program.

Our Training Programs and Brochures

Our programs have been revised but we would still like to do some additional editing on both of them. Our brochure has also been revised and we are waiting to see a new version. However, we are going to get it back and take over the additional revisions on our own in an effort to get it finished.

Grants

We have approximately \$1,300 in funds available and several members who would like to pursue mediation training from Good Shepherd. Joanne is going to check with them about a discount and Raizin and Kristin would like to register for the October session. If there is an opportunity to apply for another grant, we will again ask for money for training so that Rosemary and John can take the training.

Future Meetings:

Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4.