

Bristol Mayor's Task Force on AIDS

Thursday April 24, 2019

Bristol City Hall Meeting Room Minutes

Attendance: Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, Valerie Ingram (HRA of New Britain), Laura Minor (Wheeler Clinic), Cinque Barlow, (Wheeler Clinic) Phyllis Del Mastro, (Private Citizen) Lisbeth Barreto, (Wheeler Clinic) Susan Perry, (The Root Center), Meg Ivers (The Root Center)

Absent: Heidi Joseph (Wheeler Clinic, Diane Ashworth (Private Citizen) Marge Rivera (Private Citizen)

Alice Ferguson (HRA of New Britain, Diane Ashworth

Moment of Silence Observed

Introductions:

Approval of March 28, 2019 minutes: Approval by Laura Minor, 2nd by Cinque Barlow

Forum / Activates Discussion

- **Reviewed** 2020 Forum draft timeline
- **Date** of the Forum April 22, 2020 (no conflict of state wide meetings date)
- **Location:** Library will only book 6 months in advance. Other potential locations suggested were Bristol Carousel Museum. Historical Society or the Manross memorial library.
- **Theme** of the Forum; TBA
- **Goal** to begin marketing event as soon as a location is confirmed (SAVE THE DATE)
- **CEU's** for Nursing and social work require speakers, bio and outline of topic (needed in advance some stipulation for nursing) Phyllis Del Mastro to follow up nursing CEU's, Laura Minor will work with Cinque Barlow on SW CEU's.
- **Speakers:** Claudette Fox- Health Equity and Solutions, Laura Minor will contact Bob Sideleau and request a list of speaker/topics from the CT AIDS Educational Training Center, approach key staff / Dr. at Bristol Hospital as presenter and contact pharm reps that have speakers explore topics. A suggestion of topic was Youth/ MCM /communities of Color

Youth

- Bristol Boy and Girls Club and HRA Youth Program – Reallocate funds to provide gift card for HRA youth. Both sessions To be scheduled

Rockwell Park Festival

- August 17, 2019. To create a scheduling of members to cover he booth and engage residents. Order supplies form DPH

Candlelight Vigil

- Discussion of location and visibility to the community. The Green or Memorial Blvd Park area.
- Collaborate with Bristol Schools and other community groups such as Htfd Gay men's Choir to increase awareness and attendance.

World AIDS Day

- Raise awareness with Red ribbons on poles on Memorial Blvd.
- Newspaper article / Social Media
- Community level event
- Banner on Memorial Blvd
 - Phyllis Del Mastro informed the group that there is a process through Bristol Park and Rec to request hanging a banner and provided the application that includes a fee of \$50.00
 - The Task force will have to purchase a Banner to fit the dimensions required
 - Susan Perry suggested lawn signs to be created to increase awareness throughout Bristol

Additional Bristol events to provide awareness suggesting were

- The Home Show
- The Mum Festival (3 day festival) Sept 20-23

Next meeting will be held May 23, 2019 at Bristol City in the Hall Meeting Room

Adjourned 9:30 am

Minutes by Valerie Ingram, HRA Wellness Resource Center