



Mayor's Task Force on AIDS
Thursday February 25, 2021 8:30 am
Virtual meeting

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Laura Ferguson
Marge Rivera
Janelle Howard
Hedy Kelley
Diane Ashworth
Phyllis Delmastro
Excused:
Doug

Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu
Alice Ferguson
Christina Cipriani
Judith Gough
John Saperio

- 1. Meeting called to order at 836.**
- 2. Moment of Silence:** Observed
- 3. Introductions completed**
- 4. Approval January 2021 Minutes:** Christina, Alice – Approved with update of Date (2020-2021), updated minutes to be sent to the group.
- 5. John Saperio:** Possible date for March presentation for BBHD, others and City Council member. March 25th, 1-3pm, first part will be the presentation and the second half will be our regular meeting. Slides will be disseminated so we can share them, and also invite to this event.
- 6. Task Force Budget Update:** Moving along as planned, we do not go to any meetings. If we are going to spend any money from this year's budget, we should plan to do so. As of now, we have not used any of the current budget. We will review the current stock that is in storage and think about items for events that we may be able to have this summer.

7. April 28, 2021 - AIDS Education Forum - Task Force Event Update:

Yes - Daniel Davidson, DeLita Rose-Daniels (COVID-19 and HIV), LaToya Tyson, Christopher Porcher. Did not hear back from Justin Rush.

This will be a Zoom Meeting

For registration, We can use Google forms and once we have the email address we can then send out the link. We can also put a link on this to the our FB page as well.

We will have Four speakers over the morning, and the Mayor will give an introduction, Marco Palmieri will send some overview of HIV statistics (perhaps as a recording).

Start at 8:45 Opening Remarks and introductions – start presentations at 9. Each speaker will have 45 minutes, 30 minute presentation with 15 minutes for questions:

LaToya Tyson – 9-9:40am

Daniel Davidson - 9:45-10:25

Break 10:30-10:45

DeLita Rose-Daniels – 10:45-11:25

Christopher Porcher – 11:30-12:10p

- a. Details - responsibilities – promotion
- b. CEUs for the Certified Addiction Counselors, Laura will be in touch with Christina to discuss off line.

Motion to use the updated information, Phillis, Marge – voted – so moved.

8. Update on Facebook page and City of Bristol website (History of Task Force, etc.)

Laura asked Cathy to update the information on the website, and also on the FB page. We have 95 followers. Email Diane if you would like to be an admin on our FB page. If you are aware of things going on in the community, please email Diane, or add it as a post.

It would be great to post any events from BEST as well.

9. Other Business - None

10. Announcements – End HIV is a big thing right now

ROOT center changes will be discussed at the next meeting.

Food to Families is starting every other Saturday, Vincent P Kelly Public Works, this is a drive through event. These are really good boxes. Please share if it is too much for one house hold. This will Start on February 27th, in the case of inclement weather it will be held on February 28th.

COVID vaccine's are available at Bristol Health, if you are having difficulty making an appointment, please call 877-918-2224

Adjourned at 9:23am

Next Meeting March 25, 2021 following the presentation by John Sapero