

06/05/24

Attendees: Mik Kinkead (LAS) (Facilitator), Natalie Fiorenzo (NYCDS) (Note Taker), Michael Griffin (NYC Commission on HR), Rachel Golden (Golden Psych), Nicole Levy (CHS), Lucas Marquez (BDS), Sahar Moazami (NYCC), Dori Lewis (LAS), Bart Baily (BOC), Matt Graham (Commission on Gender Equity, MOCJ), Klevis Baholli (BxD)

Agenda: task force members, editing minutes for posting, legislative updates, drafting committee update, review of docs that task force is waiting on

CHS Update: 18 NYC Health + Hospitals facilities got LGBTQ+ healthcare equality leader designation from Human Rights campaign foundation. criteria is how many inclusive policies and practices are implemented, in such areas as community engagement and LGBTQ+ patient-centered care

Task force membership:

- Andy? Kim Barr? Pearson?
- Rachel/Mik will reach out to Andy directly
- Bart will reach out to Pearson, pretty sure Bart will be BOC rep from now on
- We don't have anyone from New Pride, we should reach out to Ferris or Griffin or New Pride in general. Mik will reach out to [Elisa](#)
- Mik will email New Pride to see if anyone has capacity to join
- Chanel Lopez? Used to be in task force but moved to gov's office, maybe reach back out
- Kennedy Felder? Still interested? Will join in July
- We've long highlighted the fact that we don't have anyone who has a speciality in intersex identity. If anyone knows anyone/org?
- TPRC? Trans prisoners' rights coalition. Rachel will do outreach
- Caban/Hudson?

Legislative Updates:

- Mik: Haven't heard from Caban's office, task force will sunset end of 2024 if we don't get the bill forward
- Michael: I can see if joanne would let us reach out to CLA rep and get an update
- Sahar: flag it for committee council, (crim justice committee), talk to Jeremy. Sahar will ping as well
- Sahar: Is it a hard dissolving in 2024, or "earliest" dissolving in 2024? I'll look into the language.
- Bill language: "f. The task force shall terminate by determination of the board of correction, but no earlier than one year after the issuance of a final yearly report, to be submitted in the year 2024. Any time a new correctional facility is built, the board of correction shall have the option to reconvene the task force for the purpose of reviewing implementation of policies related to the treatment of transgender, gender nonconforming, non-binary, and intersex individuals in such facilities."
- Mik: No reports from DOC in compliance with data bill that passed in August. Reached out to city council staffer who is in compliance, there is awareness but still no reports. DOC not here, but they haven't been telling us anyway
- Rachel: would CHS tell us how many visits for gender affirming services there are?
- Nicole: we don't track that way, i can't think of any data off the top of my head

- Powers housing bill 625: leg subcommittee has had a number of good meetings, moving slowly prob because of budget, we met with Nurse's staff, Adams LGBTQ liaison, and pending meetings with caucuses
- Someone from TPRC is making a fact sheet about Powers' bill to hand out at pride events. Unsure if it will be available in time, but at least later in the summer

Editing/Posting Minutes

- We need notes sent for approval from Jan-May.
- Michael and Lucas offered to edit
- Natalie will do February

Drafting Committee Update

- We all have our own sections, Rachel has medical
- We are still waiting on a lot of answers from DOC, BOC, CHS
- We need to get those answers so we can finish the drafts
- Golden Psych drive was deleted so, that will slow it down
- Big thing we should do is fix our regular meeting

Michael: We have some interns here for the summer, let me know if it would be ok if they sit in on meetings.

Rachel: question to BOC/CHS: what can we do to make this function more effectively, we need a medical provider from CHS at the very least

Nicole: I will do some thinking on this question, and appreciate the opportunity to keep brainstorming. I will also have a conversation with CHS leadership. We will soon have a very public representation of our Gender-Related Services on our website, which is great.

Bart: I am pretty new, so I'm not very aware of the history here. The task force's first report was very illuminating and I still use it for my work. If there's anything you think the board should be doing please let me know, i think it's important we elevate this task force as much as we can

Mik: in 2019 the board was much more involved, and I know that that has changed because of lack of staff at the board

Michael: is there anything that could be done vis-a-vis BOC and this task force via amendments to the city charter since there's a current push for proposals and some public hearings? Could make the task force more permanent?