

Athens City Commission on Disabilities
Communications Committee Minutes
June 10, 2021 – 5:30-6:30 p.m.

DRAFT UNTIL COMMITTEE APPROVED

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. In attendance were Dr. Carolyn Bailey Lewis, Rose Dikis, and Arian Smedley. Noah Trembly attended as a guest.

Dikis motioned to approve the meeting minutes from May 13. Seconded by Dr. Lewis. All were in favor.

New Business

- June Letters to the Editor and Column – both were successfully published. Thank you to the writers.
- Committee members discussed Letter to Editor and Column for July. Dr. Lewis recommended asking the full Commission for ideas. She also suggested the column could be on the Athena Award.
- Noah Trembly attended as a guest to discuss the request from Accessibility Committee. Attendees discussed their desire for brochure to be passed out to local businesses. Also, request includes design for signage. Smedley will draft something for the committee to review.
- Athena Award nominee promotion: Dr. Lewis said a few names have been submitted. Send letters to civic clubs to see and send out a news release. Timeframe would be to send out material in July or August.
- With Claire Gysegym's temporary leave from the commission (see more below under Announcements), we will need to assign someone to have administrative access to Disabilities Commission Facebook page. Smedley will follow up with Gysegym about that.

Old Business

- Publicizing oral history – this was something Gysegym was slated to work on. The committee will postpone this project until her return.

Announcements

- Claire Gysegym announced recently she would be taking a temporary leave from the commission. We appreciate all her hard work up until this point, will respect her need for temporary leave, and will welcome her back when she is ready.

Next meeting is July 8, at 5:30 p.m.

Dr. Lewis motioned to adjourn at 5:45 p.m. Seconded by Dikis. All were in favor.