

TEXAS HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE COMMISSION

Meeting Agenda

Hybrid Meeting

August 2, 2021 – 9:00 A.M.

Holocaust Museum Houston

5401 Caroline Street Houston, TX 77004

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1. **Call to Order and Establish Quorum** – *Chair Aronoff*
2. **Appoint Recorder** – *Chair Aronoff*
3. **Welcome** – *Chair Aronoff*
 - 3.1 Introduction of new Commissioners Lucy Taus Katz and Providence Umugwaneza
4. **Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meetings**
 - 4.1 Regular Board Meeting – May 3, 2021
5. **Public Comment**

Members of the public may address the Commission concerning any matter within its authority. The Chair may limit the length of remarks from each individual.
6. **Chair’s Report** – *Chair Aronoff*
 - 6.1 Accomplishments of THGC
 - 6.2 Legislative Update
 - 6.2.1 Passage of HB 3257 creating the Texas Holocaust, Genocide, and Antisemitism Commission
 - 6.2.2 Next steps for the THGC and the new Commission
 - 6.3 Discussion and possible vote regarding allocating remaining budget to non-profit grants
7. **Summer Grants** – *Cheyenne Perkins, THGC Director of Programs*
 - 7.1 Review applications and possible vote
 - 7.1.1 Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum: “Courage and Compassion Special Exhibition”
 - 7.1.2 Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum: “Permanent Exhibition Updates”
 - 7.1.3 Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum: “Survivor Testimony Cataloging”
 - 7.1.4 Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum: “Upstander Partnership Learning Management System”
 - 7.1.5 Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum: “Holocaust Education Teacher Workshop”
 - 7.1.6 Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum: “Permanent Exhibition Films Licensing for Use”

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- 7.1.7 Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum: "Hope-Strength-Resolve Film Licensing for Use"
- 7.1.8 Density512: "Eva and the Angel of Death"
- 7.1.9 El Paso Holocaust Museum and Study Center: "Holocaust Education General Programming 2021-2022"
- 7.1.10 El Paso Holocaust Museum and Study Center: "Mona Golabek: 'The Children of Willesden Lane'"
- 7.1.11 Holocaust Museum Houston: "Holocaust Remembrance Week Educational Materials"
- 7.1.12 Holocaust Museum Houston: "Holocaust Education Virtual Trunk Program"
- 7.1.13 Vedem Foundation: "Unsung Heroes: Confronting Adversity Through Secret Magazines"

8. Education and Programming Report - *J.E. Wolfson, PhD, THGC Director of Education, Christian Acevedo, THGC Director of Outreach & Communications, and Cheyanne Perkins, THGC Director of Programs*

- 8.1 Report on status of program/project contracts
 - 8.1.1 Operation Texas
 - 8.1.2 Virtual Exhibit
 - 8.1.3 Narratives of Modern Genocide
- 8.2 Invited talks to educators and community audiences on teaching resources and Holocaust history and antisemitism
- 8.3 Website updates

9. Friends of Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission - *Fran Berg, Commissioner*

- 9.1 Financial Report
- 9.2 Update on Steinberger Award and Student Contests
- 9.3 Update on Texas Liberator Project
- 9.4 Update on status of Friends of THGC after September 1, 2021

10. Adjourn - *Chair Aronoff*

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