

## TEXAS HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE COMMISSION

### Meeting Agenda

Zoom Call  
April 27, 2020  
8:30 A.M.

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1. **Call to Order and Establish Quorum** – *Chair Aronoff*
2. **Appoint Recorder** – *Chair Aronoff*
3. **Welcome** – *Chair Aronoff*
4. **Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meetings**
  - 4.1 Regular Board Meeting – January 27, 2020
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. **Committee Reports**
  - 6.1 **Strategic Planning Committee** – *Sandra Lessig, Commissioner & Joy Nathan, THGC Executive Director*
    - 6.1.1 Strategic Retreat – Findings from the Austin Alliance Group Stakeholder Survey
  - 6.2 **Education and Policy Committee** – *David A. Patterson, PhD, Commissioner & J.E. Wolfson, PhD, THGC Director of Education*
    - 6.2.1 USHMM’s Guidelines for Teaching the Holocaust: Guideline 6: “Avoid Comparisons of Pain”
    - 6.2.2 Update on Remembrance Week
    - 6.2.3 Yom HaShoah
    - 6.2.4 Dr. Anna Steinberger Outstanding Educator Award
    - 6.2.5 Berkowitz Institute
    - 6.2.6 Online Resources Page
  - 6.3 **Budget Committee** – *Jeffrey Beck, Commissioner & Cheyanne Perkins, THGC Director of Programs*
    - 6.3.1 Update on current budget
    - 6.3.2 Grants update
    - 6.3.3 Discussion and possible vote on proposed grant rule amendment
    - 6.3.4 Reopening grant cycle
  - 6.4 **Sunset Review Committee** – *Matthew Kornhauser, Commissioner & Christian Acevedo, THGC Director of Outreach and Communications*
    - 6.4.1 Report on Sunset Advisory Commission with possible questions or guidance from legal counsel, Kimberly Fuchs

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6.4.2 Discussion and possible vote on MOU with Friends of the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission

**7. Project Updates** -*Cheyenne Perkins, THGC Director of Programs & Christian Acevedo, THGC Director of Outreach & Communications*

7.1.1 Liberator updates and Honor Roll

7.1.2 Exhibits

7.1.3 Operation Texas update

7.1.4 THGC website and content update

7.1.5 Yahad-in Unum *Holocaust by Bullets* budget update

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

8.1 Financial Report

*Update on revenue collected and spent for THGC programming initiatives*

8.2 Activities

*Update on fundraising and other miscellaneous efforts that support THGC programming*

**9. Adjourn** - *Chair Aronoff*

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