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Core Commission Minutes

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May 9, 2023 - meeting via Zoom

Sub-Committee Members Present: Jeffery Koonankell, Judy Barnes, Amy Domeika, Nancy Nelson

Member Not Present: Sally Whipple

Other: Denise Turner

1. Call to Order: Nancy Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:00PM

2. New Business: Community Conversations The committee members discussed what each person thought a community conversation would look like. The groups would have similar background or interests. From the Conversation(s) strengths and weaknesses in Colchester would be recognized, and decisions made from information gathered at the Conversations.

It was agreed to begin with a Conversation having to do with the Youth in Colchester. Each member is to send to Nancy Nelson a list of people recommended to invite to the Conversation. Include each person's name, position, and contact information. Recommendations included: the Youth Librarian, Leader of Youth groups in religious organizations, School resource officer, and Head of Youth Services.

For possible locations to hold the community conversations the following were recommended: The Library, the Theater at Bacon or Black Box at the middle school, a church space, a room at one of the schools. Any other ideas are to be sent to Nancy to compile.

3. The decision was made to keep the meetings informal (i.e. no Chair, for this subcommittee) It was suggested members could take turns

running and organizing the meetings. Initially, the meetings will be brainstorming events and then will move into planning and organizing meetings. The next meeting will be held in June. Date to be decided.

- 4. Citizen Comments
 There were no Citizen Comments
- 5. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 PM